

RUSSIA READY MAKE PEACE WITH JAPAN FOUR ACCUSED SENATORS ARRAIGNED IN COURT

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 18.—An extraordinary sitting of the Council of the Empire has been summoned to consider the situation resulting from the assassination of Grand Duke Sergius.

WILLIAM TRYING FOR PEACE

German Emperor Secretly Trying to End the War.

ST. PETERSBURG, February 18.—Prince Friedrich Leopold of Prussia, who had been visiting the Emperor (previous, according to a dispatch from Berlin, to going to Manchuria as an observer representing Emperor William with the Russian army), started for Berlin at midnight.

It was announced from Berlin yesterday that Prince Friedrich Leopold was to go to the Far East by steamer from Genoa, owing to the difficulty in sending the Princely train quickly over the congested Siberian line, and that he would first pay a visit to Emperor Nicholas.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg early this morning, however, threw a different light on the Prince's visit to St. Petersburg. It was intimated that the Prince was the bearer of personal representations from Emperor William on the subject of peace, and it was added that it was positively known that the question of peace was discussed between Emperor Nicholas and Prince Friedrich Leopold yesterday, though it was impossible to ascertain what, if any, conclusions were reached.

The official explanation of Prince Friedrich Leopold's return to Berlin is that he has decided to go to Manchuria by water, but there is high authority for the statement that the Prince was the bearer of a letter from Emperor William. In diplomatic circles there exists a suspicion which amounts almost to a conviction that Emperor William has undertaken peace negotiations in some form, although the few persons in a position to know naturally declined to furnish any information on the subject.

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TRAIN STALLED IN SNOW DRIFTS

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., February 18.—The Chicago express, which left Buffalo on the Erie Railroad yesterday afternoon, was stalled in immense snowdrifts near Eden Center and early today had not moved despite the efforts of four locomotives to force it through the drifts. Four hundred men were engaged in an effort to open up the road between Eden Center and this city. The passengers were being well cared for.

POSTOFFICE APPROPRIATION

WASHINGTON, February 18.—The Senate committee on postoffices and post roads completed the postoffice appropriation bill today. To the \$500,000 appropriated by the House for maintaining the pneumatic tube service, the Senate added \$1,000,000 for extending the service. This is to be used in the discretion of the Postmaster General.

PRAYERS SAID FOR THE DEAD RUSSIAN DUKE

Hundreds of Church Bells Tell of Tragedy in Moscow.



GRAND DUKE NICHOLAS OF RUSSIA WHO MAY SUCCEED KUROPAKIN IN THE FIELD.

MOSCOW, Feb. 18.—The bells of Moscow's five hundred churches are tolling to-day, requiem masses are being celebrated and before many shrines priests are ceaselessly chanting prayers for the repose of the soul of the murdered Grand Duke Sergius. His remains still rest in the Choudoff monastery, whitewashed and covered with flowers and surrounded by burning tapers. Two monks remain constantly at the foot of the coffin reciting prayers for the dead.

The widowed Grand Duchess Elizabeth is prostrated. She keeps to her apartment.

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LIVELY BLAZE IN IN BERKELEY

WOODMEN HALL DAMAGED—CIGARETTE STUB CAUSED FIRE.

BERKELEY, February 18.—A smouldering cigarette stub, carelessly thrown behind a pile of logs, paraffin lamps in Woodmen Hall, on Center street, last night, started a lively blaze, which caused Night Watchman George Compton to turn in a general fire alarm, calling out all the engine companies. The blaze was such that if it had not been detected at the beginning, it would probably have caused the destruction of the entire block of buildings on Center street between the Thomas and Shattock avenues. The watchman's prompt action is believed to have prevented one of the most disastrous conflagrations in the history of Berkeley.

Washington, Capt. O. W. had been staying a day in the hall, and the early hours of the evening, and in company with the gathering the late hall plat-

NOT TO ADMIT SWAYNE'S STATEMENT

WASHINGTON, February 18.—The Senate convened in secret session at 11 o'clock, to continue consideration of the question of the admissibility and testimony to ward off the swift acts of terrorism, murder in the streets being possible at any instant.

After further debate on the question by Messrs. Dubon, Patterson and Mallory, the Senate decided by a vote of 29 to 49, not to admit the Swayne statement.

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President of Ministers Wants to Have Peace at Once.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 18, 1:30 p. m.—In diplomatic circles the opinion is quite generally expressed that yesterday's tragedy at Moscow may be followed by the decision of the government to conclude peace.

For some time, despite the official attitude maintained by the government, there has been a growing appreciation of the difficulties of prosecuting the war in the midst of increasing complications at home, and as announced by the Associated Press yesterday, the matter was actually the subject of formal consideration by the Emperor and his ministers February 18th.

PEACE.

Strong influences which it is understood, in spite of denials, are headed by M. White, president of the committee of ministers, have been working quietly in this direction.

General Gruppenberg's revelations, revelations, followed by the murder of Grand Duke Sergius, in the opinion of some of the ablest diplomats, are not unlikely to lead the Emperor definitely to decide upon peace.

WAR OFFICE ALARMED.

In this connection the war office is

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SACRAMENTO, February 18.—State Senators E. J. Emmons of Kern, Eli Wright of Santa Clara and Harry Bunkers and Frank French of San Francisco, accused of having accepted bribes from Joseph S. Jordan in connection with the investigation of building and loan associations, appeared in Superior Judge Hart's court today for arraignment on the indictments returned by the Grand Jury last week.

CURIOS THRON.

A curious throng crowded the courtroom. Senator Emmons was accompanied by his wife, who has been his constant attendant during the course of the investigations made against him and his three associates.

Former State Senator H. V. Morehouse appeared as leading counsel for the accused. None of the defendants entered pleas to the indictments, the consideration of demurrers interposing.

THE INDICTMENT.

District Attorney Seymour read the indictment returned by the Grand Jury charging Bunkers with having accepted a \$350 bribe from Joe S. Jordan to influence his vote and decision with respect to building and

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Spectators could catch glimpses of it as

it floated in the sky.

Slowly it fell, turning over and over and describing somersaults as it dropped.

THE FALLS.

Mrs. Heaton clung tightly to the car as the ship fell, and her coolness and nerve in this situation saved her from being dashed to death in a fall from the dizzy ship of which she had been the pilot.

DOWN TO EARTH.

The airship touched the ground in a vacant lot at Dwight way and Grand street, and Mrs. Heaton emerged from the debris of the ship unhurt, but shivering and tired as a result of the experience she had undergone.

CORD BROKE.

There is a cord when it is pulled, opens the valve and permits the escape of gas, thus, allowing the airship to descend. It broke while Mrs. Heaton was trying to get the machine down to earth, and she was then in the position of an aeronaut with a machine damaged, and the customary means of escape apparently cut off.

THE START.

When but a few hundred feet above Idora Park, from where the ascent was made, the machinery became out of order and Mrs. Heaton lost control of the airship.

She was then carried by the wind over Berkeley towards the bay.

Her husband followed the course of the ship, and when it began to descend he was able to mark the probable spot where it would fall.

He was present when the woman descended and directed the operation of removing the ship back to Idora Park.

DEATH'S SHADOW HANGS OVER RUSSIAN CAPITAL

Royal Family Seek Refuge Behind Palace Walls—Murder is Expected.

ST. PETERSBURG, February 18, 1:05 p. m.—Oppression like the shadow of doom seems to be hanging over the Russian capital. Bells are tolling and the people in the streets are awestruck at yesterday's bloody crime.

The crime while not unanticipated, in view of the repeated threats, has, nevertheless, created a profound impression in the ancient capital.

All the shops are closed and the newspapers appeared with mourning borders.

Some students have been roughly handled in the streets.

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Every one seems to shrink before the contemplation of what may happen next.

The tragedy struck deep in the heart of the perplexed and tried Emperor, and many, who were unsparing in their criticism yesterday, today have only expressions of sympathy for his unhappy lot.

EMPEROR BEGS PRAYER.

The bitter cup which during the last year has been pressed again and again to his lips is once more filled to the brim and in almost pathetic words this morning he implores his subjects to pray for the repose of the soul of his murdered uncle.

DEATH HOVERS ABOUT.

Death is in the air and no one knows where the next blow may fall, although precautions have been doubled in every direction for the preservation of the lives of the members of the Imperial family and the ministers and the secret police are seeking out and arresting those known to be associated with the fighting organization.

According to their view, any weapon is justifiable. As a matter of fact, it is too early yet to say what the political effect will be.

For the moment everything is at a standstill.

CONDOLENCE.

Expressions of condolence have reached the Emperor direct from practically all governments, those of President Loubet, Emperor William and King Edward being especially warm.

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pressions under which her body was found

had been arranged by Dr. Watson to bear out a runaway theory.

Much expert testimony was introduced at the trial and Dr. Watson took the stand in his own defense.

Medical men testified for the prosecution that unmistakable traces of poison were found in Mrs. Watson's stomach, but other

medical experts testified for the defense that there were no traces of poison found.

DID NOT KILL HIS WIFE

JURY FINDS THAT DR. WATSON IS NOT GUILTY OF CRIME.

NEW LONDON, Mo., February 18.—

The jury in the case of Dr. T. Watson

of Denver, charged with killing his wife, today returned a verdict of not guilty.

Mrs. Watson was killed in a run-

away accident while riding with her

husband, who was picked up uncon-

scious near a bridge over a small

stream.

Mrs. Watson's body was found in

the water. The prosecution charged

that Mrs. Watson had died from the

effects of poison and that the con-

stable to sell six fine pianos, also a lot

of furniture, carpet, etc.

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AIRSHIP IN THE CLOUDS.

Escapes With Woman in the Car—Hairpin Saves Her Life.

BERKELEY, Feb. 18.—The coolness and daring of a woman, wife of George E. Heaton, who invented and built the airship called the "California Messenger," saved her this afternoon from death as she rose 1,000 feet above the town of Berkeley adrift and helpless for a long time in her husband's airship.

IN THE CLOUDS.

Mrs. Heaton found herself up in the clouds while attempting an excursion through the air, with the machinery of the airship in hopeless disorder. The airship was steadily rising, carrying her out to sea.

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California Girl Will Enter-
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O. WHIPPLE IS DEAD

Oakland's Former Police
Chief Passes
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case. Emmons left the court room at once, accompanied by his wife, but French, Wright and Bunkers remained to hear the arguments.

WANTS CONTINUANCE.

At this point Attorney Jacobs asked permission to withdraw the demurser interposed in Wright's behalf and a continuance requested until next Thursday, was granted.

In opening his argument on demurser against the indictment, Morehouse said that while his plea would relate to the cases of Emmons and Bunkers, it would apply to all the cases, as they are identical. He then based his demurrs on the ground that no offense known to the laws of the State had been committed and that the facts as set forth in the indictments were insufficient.

POINTS FOR DEFENSE.

One of the points on which Morehouse laid particular stress was that as the investigation of building and loan associations was before the committee on retractions and commissions it was not an officially legislative matter. He declared that no member of the committee could give an official vote on building and loan associations, as the consideration of these corporations had not been referred to the committee by the Senate. Morehouse made references of authorities to uphold the contention that even the Congress of the United States cannot investigate private corporations, that being a matter for judicial consideration only.

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considerably alarmed by the new danger threatening the Manchurian army from the attempts of Japanese and Chinese bandits to cut the line of communication back of the army.

According to reports about 10,000 men split up into bands of several hundred each are operating from Mongolia and are striking at the railroad.

AMBUSHED.

A Russian detachment following up the Japanese band which cut the road below Harbin fell into an ambuscade of two regularly organized Japanese regiments and was almost cut to pieces, losing half its men and one gun. The fear is that if the bands move further north or west they might interrupt communication to such an extent as to make it impossible to supply the army. This danger has already compelled the triple reinforcement of the railroad guards below Harbin.

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OLIVER KELLOGG WILL NOT SUFFER

SAN FRANCISCO, February 18.—Oliver P. Kellogg, a postal clerk in the Berkeley postoffice, will not suffer for embezzling \$164.11 of Government money. The Federal Grand Jury yesterday ignored the charges against him on the ground that he had repaid the money and only extreme demands from sickness on his \$50 per month had driven him to ruin a good reputation. Charges against Constantine S. S. S. and John W. Moore were also ignored. A third ignoramus was returned. The case of Thomas Crowley and James Sennott who boarded the bark Skagit, contrary to quarantine regulations.

Indictments were returned against Le Roy Lee, W. H. Le Baron and Charles Aiken, all alleged passers of bad money.

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REV. BROWN GIVES LECTURE

The fourth entertainment of the course under the auspices of the Alameda County Christian Endeavor Union was given last night at Armory Hall, where Rev. Charles R. Brown delivered his lecture upon Alaska. The lecture was very interesting, as well as instructive, the speaker knowing having been abroad during a trip which he took to Alaska some years ago. Rev. Brown's talk was illustrated by many views, which gave his hearers a good idea of the character of the country of which he was speaking.

The next lecture of the course, which will conclude the series, will be given on March 5 by Reno B. Welburn, who will talk on "Radium and Wireless Telegraphy."

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BOLD ACT OF THIEF

ROB WOMAN OF DIAMONDS; SHOOTS AT HER HUSBAND.

Mrs. C. L. James of Reno, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. T. W. Vincent, at 235 Orange street, Piedmont, reports the loss of a small purse containing six valuable rings and \$20 in gold, which she believes were stolen or lost some time between last Sunday afternoon and last Wednesday evening. She was unaware of her loss for three days, but on the evening of the third day her loss was revealed to her in a dream. A hasty examination of her chatelaine corroborated the vision.

Concerning the loss, Mrs. James said:

"The last time I remember having the jewels in my possession was last Sunday afternoon. At that time I went to San Francisco to visit my husband's mother, Mrs. James, at 1106 Masonic avenue. I rode there in a Haight-street car. Before leaving Oakland I saw the purse containing the rings and money in the chatelaine bag which I carried. I had other money in another pocketbook, and for that reason there was no necessity for my opening the purse containing the rings. These rings are worth a lot of money. One of them is my engagement ring, a solitaire diamond. Another, a large diamond surrounded by rubies, was my mother's engagement ring. There was also a ring set with three opals and six diamonds, a handsome sapphire ring, another set with turquoise and diamonds, and a sixth a plain gold band.

"I had not missed them when I went to bed Wednesday night, for, as I have said, there was no occasion for opening the purse. At about 2 o'clock yesterday morning I seemed to hear in my sleep a voice which said, 'Your rings are gone!' It woke me up, but I went to sleep again. Once more I had the vision and heard the same voice. This was about 6 in the morning. I hastily rose and went to examine the chatelaine bag. Sure enough, the purse containing rings and gold was gone.

"Of course, I cannot tell whether I was robbed or whether I lost the purse. All I know is that I had it Sunday when I went to San Francisco. Since that time I have shopped considerably in San Francisco and Oakland, and may have lost it any time between Sunday afternoon and Wednesday evening. I have reported the matter to the police, but I have no great hopes of ever recovering my property."

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THINGS WRONGLY NAMED.
Timouse is a bird.
Catgut is a sheep gut.
Sealing wax is not made of wax.
Kid gloves are not made of kid.
Irish Stew is unknown in Ireland.
Blind worms have eyes and can see.
Rice paper is not made of rice or the rice plant.

German silver is not silver, nor of German manufacture. It having been made in China for centuries.—Chicago Daily News.

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BACKING THE PRESIDENT.
May the President's backbone endure to the end. He is making it clear to the Senators that if they decide to fight with the arbitration, treaties already agreed upon and signed, he will withdraw them from consideration. The troubles with the Senate is that it has entirely too jively a sense of its own importance.—Nebraska State Journal.

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STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE OF ALAMEDA MAN

Eugene Etableau Cannot be Found By His Friends.



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ALAMEDA, February 18.—Eugene Etableau, once for many years a missing heir, who came into possession here some years ago of a block of land valued at nearly \$10,000, and whose checkered and adventurous career reads like a page from some romance, is again missing, and this time under circumstances which have a sinister aspect.

Having upon numerous occasions evinced a dread that an avenging arm might descend upon him without notice, Etableau disappeared in the night from the Park Hotel, where he had been employed for some time, in his reduced circumstances, as a porter.

His clothing and a shotgun, which he kept near him always for protection from enemies of whom he was in constant fear, were left in his room, and Colonel H. H. Todd, the landlord, says that a mystifying part of his disappearance was the fact that while the man was known to possess but two pairs of trousers both were found hanging in his bedroom on the second floor, together with two hats and a coat and vest. He had no money at the time, unless it was a dollar or two, and held a good position at the hotel, where there is still some salary due him.

The strange disappearance, which occurred between last Saturday night and Sunday morning, has not been reported to the police, as Colonel Todd hoped that Etableau might put in an appearance, but he is now somewhat alarmed for fear some tragedy may have befallen him, or lest he may have wandered off while temporarily derailed and committed suicide.

Etableau is of French descent, about forty years of age. He is a half brother of Eugene Maillet, Alameda's sanitary Inspector, and many years ago he lived as a boy on the old home place on High Street. On a hunting trip near this city in early years young Etableau was accompanied by Tom Cleveland, of Bay Farm Island, and Alex La Plant, now a well known sewer contractor here. While on the expedition Cleveland was accidentally shot by Etableau. The injury was not serious, but possibly because he fear-

ed the consequences of his act, Etableau soon afterward shipped as a sailor on a vessel bound for Chile with lumber.

His father had died a few years before, and later his mother became Mrs. Maillet. For eighteen years the youth was missing. When his mother died and left him heir to considerable property at the East End, still no trace could be found of the missing Alamedan, until in 1892 Senator E. K. Taylor, of this city, located him where he was serving on a Chilean man-of-war.

The long-lost heir, in a declaration made before the United States Consul at Santiago, Chile, told a quaint and absorbing story of his voluntary expatriation, how he had almost forgotten how to speak the English tongue, and of his many adventures and thrilling escapes as a sailor and in naval battles. He was on the Esmeralda, which was sunk in the war with Peru in the port of Inquique, on July 21st, 1879. Later he took part in the battles of Pisagua and Arica, and in the land battles of Chorrillan and San Juan.

Etableau returned to Alameda, came into his property, and lost no time in dissipating his fortune. The love of adventure was strong in him, and he returned to the Chilean navy. Later he had experiences in Mexico, and about six weeks ago turned up again in this city, without a cent.

He was befriended by Colonel Todd, who gave him employment a month ago. He was always in fear of being shot by some man or men from Mex-

ico, and so convinced was he that he was to be made the victim of some plot, that he hardly ever dared to leave the hotel.

"He was always on the watch for some enemy," said Colonel Todd, "and would insist on having his room changed lest some one might get at him. I gave him a gun to go hunting with, seeking to distract his mind, but he would never go out. He seemed to feel safer when he had the gun in his room."

"He was always in dread over something he expected would happen to him. He spoke about going to San Francisco for a trip, but kept changing his mind and putting it off from week to week. He had always refused to drink any liquor, so his absence cannot be accounted for on the theory that he became intoxicated. He had no intimates or companions."

"About 3 o'clock last Saturday night he said he would go to bed and that is the last we have seen of him. We could hardly tell whether his bed had been occupied or not. A man told me he thought he had seen him this week in the city, but I think he was mistaken. He left nearly all his clothing in the room, and I cannot see how he got off while leaving his only two pairs of trousers."

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

METROPOLE—A. L. Barker, New York; F. M. Garrison, Cleveland, Ohio; H. A. Day, U. S. Marines; James Smith, Portland; A. Scott Wilson, F. H. Thompson, Chicago; Frank Lewis, Albuquerque, N. M.; F. L. Hopkins, San Francisco.

TOURAINE—S. Davenport, Mrs. S. J. Eva, Mrs. Henry King, Mrs. Gallo, San Francisco; Mrs. F. Thomas, New York; Miss E. Gordon, San Francisco.

CRELLIN—G. D. Sisson, Oakland; H. E. Salisbury, Walnut Grove, C. Jackson and wife, Woodland; S. E. Kinnear, wife and daughter, Seattle; T. D. Young, Rochester; W. B. O'earn, Los Angeles; Alex Burrell, Alex Burgen Jr., Montana; A. C. Rumble, Morgan Hill; William McDonald, Livermore; H. E. Hastings, Florence, Arizona.

ARLINGTON—Miss Maud Bunker, Stockton; J. A. West, S. W. Emerson and son, Sonora; P. J. Kelly, Oakland; T. J. Rawan, Suisun; R. Rodriguez, W. Nichols, Black Diamond; Nelson Luke and family, Raymond; Miss M. Soles, Seattle; John Wilson and family, Victoria; B. C. David Doolittle and child, Port Orford.

GALINDO—A. F. Hicks, Boston; Mass.; Chas. Owen and wife, San Francisco; E. L. Storey, Los Angeles; F. A. Cuyle, San Francisco; Lu Wells, C. L. Powell, Pleasanton.

ALBANY—John Maggs and wife, Oakland; E. C. Stevens, Mill Valley; L. M. Michael, Palo Alto; A. G. Rehle, Berkeley; J. Ellison, Los Angeles; H. L. Hoy, T. L. Wolfe, G. Manzach, San Francisco; A. Walnutt, Alden; C. Monett, C. Knoes, Berkeley.

CHANGE HOURS FOR MASSES.

The hours for the masses in the Church of the Immaculate Conception have been changed so that the 8:30 a.m. mass will be said at 8:30, 8:35, 9:30 and 10:30. The mass at 8:30 will be for the children of the parish.

On the evening of the third Sunday of each month, at 8:30, the Stations of the Cross will be said, followed by a sermon.

MISS VIVIAN BALDWIN.

WILL APPEAR IN SOUTHERN PLAY.



MISS VIVIAN BALDWIN.

The above photograph is a likeness of Miss Vivian Baldwin, a very talented young lady, who will appear in the beautiful Southern play, "A Magnolia Blossom," which is to be produced February 22, at the Dewey Theatre.

Of the many Southern plays that have been written, "A Magnolia Blossom" is the greatest dramatic treat of them all, not only delightfully romantic, but a story of intense heart interest, of many scenes and situations, interspersed with many very laughable scenes and talk; altogether it is a play that you can thoroughly enjoy.

Immensely preparations are under way for the fine scenic equipment and the

costumes will be a marvel of beauty, no expense being spared on them.

"A Magnolia Blossom" is being produced under the direction and supervision of the Caldwell College of Oratory and Acting, of San Francisco, and being such a complete success, especially as for such a worthy object as the sole benefit for the St. Francis De Sales Church.

The following well known players will be on the cast: C. Raynor, H. Deen, St. Clair, F. Clute, W. Morris, Herbert Foster, Paul Atherton, Fred Smith, Arthur M. Douglass, Miss Tama-Zetta Henry, Miss Vivian Baldwin, Miss Hazel Dodge, Miss Mary Brumhall.

BOARD OF WORKS UNION PROVIDES MEETS FOR WIDOW

POSTAL TELEGRAPH COMPANY WILLING TO LAY WIRES UNDERGROUND.

The Postal Telegraph Company in a letter to the Board of Public Works, yesterday, stated that the time for the construction of wire overhead had come to an end and that in the future all wires of telegraph, telephone and electric light companies would have to be placed under ground.

The willingness of the Postal Telegraph company was expressed to comply with the plan soon to be adopted by the city for the reason that instead of instead of placing new poles in certain districts where they have become weak that they be granted permission to box them for temporary purposes. The Board granted the request asked for.

It is thought that the incoming administration will take up the problem of underground wires and carry it to a successful conclusion.

NO LIGHT FUNDS.

City Electrician George Babcock in a communication to the Board stated that there would probably be a deficit of \$88 in the street lighting fund. He asked that \$300 which was left in the fund last year and which was placed in the general fund be again diverted to the lighting fund.

The Board granted the request of Mrs. Neal to delay the opening of Sixtieth street until her husband could return from El Paso.

She states that she wishes to procure some one to represent their interests.

A resolution granting the First Regiment band permission to use the band stand in the City Hall park from May 1 to November 1 was granted.

A petition of George B. M. Gray to have crossing at Twelfth and Webster streets paved was referred to the Superintendent of Streets.

A petition for an electric light at Twelfth and Opal streets was filed.

City Engineer Green reported that the Atlantic, Gulf and Pacific Dredging Company had replaced the pile re-

moval of the old pier.

The members of the local No. 1667 of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners were held last night at California Hall. H. E. Smith made a report of the work on Mrs. Jurgensen's cottage, which the union is building for her near Linda Park, Fruitvale. Her late husband, Nils Jurgensen, died two years ago of tuberculosis. The only knowledge of his illness brought to the local was through a circular letter sent out two months ago by the Associated Charities, as he had not understood the union idea enough to ask for help.

The members of the local voted \$1 for funeral expenses besides sending money during his illness. The \$200 was immediately handed to his widow, who has five small children to support.

With \$1000, which she received from a fraternal order, the widow was enabled to purchase a lot and some lumber, sufficient to buy a cow and chickens later. The members of the local 1667 are building the house for her free of charge and doing all the work themselves, sheathing the interior rather than plastering.

ELECT OFFICERS.

The members of the District Council of Teamsters held a meeting last night and elected officers. Frank Hignor was elected president and William E. Greer, secretary-treasurer. The changes were made necessary by the resignation of Robert Smith, former secretary-treasurer, which was sent in and accepted last night.

A committee from the Horseshoe's Union was present to urge the teamsters to adopt a uniform set of all shoes, which they had been using.

A committee was appointed consisting of one representative from each affiliated union to appear at the meeting of the Central Labor Council Monday night and to present the names of the officers of the unions.

A misunderstanding concerning the monthly tax per capita has made this necessary. On the committee are the following: W. E. Gray, from the meat packers; Frank Hignor, from the teamsters; J. P. Ryan, from the ice wagon drivers; and Martin Rogers, from the laundry wagon drivers.

PREPARE TO JOIN.

At the meeting of the Provision-Trades Council last night Secretary Bullock was instructed to notify officially all the affiliated unions that at the first meeting of the Association of Provision-Trades next month the two bodies will merge into one. This will greatly decrease the amount of routine business necessary in carrying on the affairs of the unions.

The local affiliated with the Provision-Trades Council is as follows: Cooks

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WOOLSEY INTERESTS SANTA CRUZ

THE STORY OF HIS TRAVELS HAS FOUND ADMIRING READERS.

Dr. Woolsey's account of his recent travels has evidently excited lively interest, judging from the following preface to a quotation printed in the Santa Cruz Sur:

"Dr. E. H. Woolsey, a well-known Oakland physician, has just returned from a long and interesting tour of the Eastern and Southern States and Cuba, and he fills nearly a page in the Oakland TRIBUNE with an entertaining chat concerning his travels. After taking in St. Louis, New Orleans, Mobile, Jacksonville, Atlanta, New Orleans, Mobile, Jacksonville, Havana, San Diego and intermediate points, he is glad to get back to a mild, yet vigorous climate, and to drink good water, made by good

"The doctor appears to have carried his wife with him, for in every place he mentions the prevailing beverages— including water."

Santa Cruz is now agitating the question of water supply, and Dr. Woolsey's reference to the character of the water supplied in the different cities he visited will be of instructive interest.



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There is no mystery—no miracle. I can explain cold

water to you as easily as I can tell you why cold

water freezes water and why heat melts ice.

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Only one out of every 98 has perfect

health. Of the 97 sick ones, some are

bed-ridden and listless. But most of

the sickness comes from a common

cause. The nerves are weak. Not the

nerves that govern your movements

and your thoughts.

For Kidney Troubles

The Kidneys are the blood filters. They

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The branch which operates them and

regulates them is called the renal plexus.

When the renal plexus is weak or

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ONE LADIES' GOLD FILLED 20-YEAR GUARANTEED ELGIN OR WALTHAM WITH 14 KARAT FILLED CHAIN, SOLID GOLD SLIDE WITH DIAMOND CHIP (S. COHEN, MFG JEWELER) VALUE	40.00	TWO HAND PAINTED STEINS (CAL STUDIO OF ART, HUBERT) VALUE	30.00	EIGHT DOZEN FINEST PLATINUM PHOTOGRAPHS LATEST FINISH, BOOKLET FORM, ANY STYLE, 1/2-DOZEN EACH (DORSAZ) VALUE	64.00	ONE BEAUTIFUL EASTMAN KODAK (TRIVERS & MULLER) VALUE	25.00
ONE SOLE LEATHER, SATIN LINED SUIT CASE (OAKLAND TRUNK MFG) VALUE		ONE SOLE LEATHER, SATIN LINED SUIT CASE (OAKLAND TRUNK MFG) VALUE	15.00	SIX ELEGANT HAND PAINTED CHINA DINNER PLATES (CAL STUDIO OF ART, DORSEY) VALUE	30.00	2 POUND BOXES FINEST FRENCH BONBONS AND CHOCOLATES (ROGERS' REGENT CANDY SHOP) VALUE	20.00

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OPPOSES LEGISLATURE'S SUNDAY PICNIC.

Kelly Pitted Against M'Nab and Belshaw and Barbers Make Another State Move.

(Special to THE TRIBUNE) SACRAMENTO February 18—A Wright Case pastor at the Sixth Street M. E. Church of this city who has made fervent appeal to the members to reconsider their determination to go a sailing remains at the hotel or lodging houses attending services in some other manner. The time set for the excursion is Sunday next and a large number of the members of both houses have promised to make the journey.

REVEND PROTEST

This resolution has stirred up a pro

test on the part of Rev. Wesswood who has made fervent appeal to the members to reconsider their determination to go a sailing remain at the hotel or lodging houses attending services in some other manner.

Rev. Mr. Case has spoken to some lawmen with willing ears but others he has discovered deaf to his pleading. The appeal will be generally set aside and the excursion boat will be loaded with human freight as but few boats are loaded which receive and discharge passengers at this point.

CHRISTIAN SENTIMENT

A few samples of Mr. Case's exhortation are as follows: "I beg to remind you of what you already know that you are not here as private citizens but as public and conspicuous officials. You do not forget I am sure that you owe your positions to the votes of church people as well as of non church people. Please respect the Christian sentiment of California and nip the bill in the great discrepancy which it causes to the large class of your constituents who are grieved to see Sunday turned into a holiday instead of a holy day. It would seem to us that you would be justified in declining to participate in an excursion as a Legislature which would compromise numbers among them. Of course they need not go. Of course they will not go and satisfy themselves before the world but I suggest that they should not be put into the position of posing as better in morals than their associates."

KELLY HAD MARKED BILL. The Special Committee inquiring into the alleged bribery of Senators Wright, Emmons, French and Bunker has worked all today and it will work all tomorrow on the report on the subject. It hopes to be able to present it to the Senate by 11 o'clock next Monday morning. There is little doubt that the report will contain a recommendation of censure of the accused.

ONE THOUSAND A SESSION.

The pay of legislators is \$1,000 for each session, or \$8 per day, or \$500 for the case now.

The new plan will be decidedly more appreciated by the law makers than is the old one. The expense of attaches is to be limited to \$500 per day, and the pay of \$500 per day given the system which is now in vogue.

It is the opinion that the new plan will result in a saving annually of \$25,000 or \$30,000.

FOREST RESERVE AND SCHOOL LANDS.

Senator Simpson of Alameda introduced an important bill in which the United States and the State of California are jointly interested. The measure was suggested by Senator French of San Francisco who has掌管 so much land in Oregon. One of the advantages to be gained by the bill would be the preservation intact of the forest reserves.

While the bill is not yet a part of the forest reserves, an agreement has been entered into between the State and the Federal Government that the school land may be exchanged for land elsewhere outside the reserve and that when the exchange is made the same may be sold to the highest cash bidder.

RUSHING GENERAL APPROPRIATION.

An extraordinary effort is to be made on the part of the Assembly to have final adjournment of the Legislature reached by the 4th of March which would be two weeks earlier than the 1st of April.

The 4th of March is the date on which the legislature may collect pay for their services. One of the most exacting duties at this time is the preparation of the general appropriation bill which requires a great deal of time and which generally meets with vexatious delays.

Assemblyman Waste of Berkeley is an active member of the Committee on Ways and Means which is engaged upon the bill and has been told that the committee may be able to report the measure on Monday next. If such should be the case there would be some plausible reason to believe that an adjournment without the usual extension of time might take place.

PAY AND NO PAY.

All the legislators however are now most anxious to make haste more especially without satisfactory disposal of the immense amount of work now on the files and without properly considering the various bills which are still to be reported from committee.

The arms of attaches is giving them selves little concern in this matter as they hope that final adjournment may be made before the 1st of April.

The pay will run along the same as usual even though that of the legislature stops after the 4th of March has been closed.

ANOTHER MOVE BY THE BARBERS.

The barbers throughout the State are

KELLY'S DENIAL.

Yesterday, Kelly denied before the

Committee that he had received one of the marked bills from French. He said it was a bill of the denomination of fifty dollars. He produced it and it proved to be a gold note 10,281,205. This evidence however cannot stand as against that of both McNab and Belshaw.

CHANGING OF SESSION.

The substitute for several constitutional amendments which have been offered on the subject of the session of the Legislature closing the Legislature readily found favor with the Senate and will be generally appreciated by any person in or out of the Legislature.

It is proposed to have the Legislature assemble in February instead of in January as heretofore. In this way the legislators will escape the almost constant logs which afflict this section during the time when they are engaged in the great discomfiture of the Legislature.

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JUDGE MAKES A DEFENSE

Evidence Being Taken in the Santa Cruz Case.

SANTA CRUZ, February 18—Testimony for the defense was heard by the Legislative committee which is hearing the impeachment charges against Judge Smith. Testifying in his own behalf, Judge Smith said that he had formerly been a District Attorney in Texas and United States Attorney for New Mexico.

He had been Superior Judge of this county since 1897. He had never shown partiality to Attorney Cassin. He denied that he ever told P. Hartman that he was unfortunate in not having Cassin as his attorney. He said that he had fined only Dakan for the fight in his courtroom with Cassin, because he did not see the first part of the fight and did not see Cassin assault Dakan.

ADmits TRUTH.

He admitted that he received a petition to give the lightest sentence possible to one Nathan Smith convicted of assault with a deadly weapon and did comment in court on the petition and gave a light sentence as requested, but he intended to do so before knowing of the petition.

Referring to the charge No. Five, which says he struck the papers from the files in the Younger vs. Moore case because he had been made a party defendant, solely to disqualify him, and under the advise of Judge Budd of Stockton and another Judge then on a visit to him, he says that in his whole period of service as a Judge since 1897 he never refused a request of a single attorney to substitute some other Judge in his place to try a case in his court.

"MALICIOUS LIE."

Charge No. 6, which stated that he suggested to an attorney in the Sambruck damage suit to have his client "squirm and squeal" when the doctors touched him, he said, was false and a malicious lie, concocted by Leonard, the Judge simply telling Leonard of a case like that in Texas.

In reply to charge No. 7, the Judge said he had never been technical or oppressive to attorneys in a case and had never shown partiality to Cassin as various attorneys had stated. He declared that Cassin lost most of the cases in which partiality was claimed to have been shown to him, as the records would show.

NO EVIDENCE.

Charge No. 8, that of disrespect toward the Supreme Court, was dropped by the prosecution and evidence was entered. The Judge insisted upon being heard because the charge had been circulated in the papers but the committee ruled it was not admissible.

HE PITIED HER.

As to charge No. 9, that Mrs. Buelna, whose son was sentenced for nine years' imprisonment on conviction of rape, came to his chambers begging that he give a light sentence, he said he pitied her but that she must not talk to him about the matter and told her to go out of the chambers.

He denied that he told her not to ask for a new trial or that he would give a light sentence.

NINETY YEARS LIGHT.

In answer to Assemblmen Burke and Beardslee, he said that ninety years was a light sentence, in his opinion, for the terrible crime which had been proven.

He said he had given the attorneys appointed to defend the prisoner all the time they asked for to secure witness.

He declared that he had not excluded the public from the disgusting trial, although requested by the defendant to do so because the law demanded that it be public and the case would have been reversed had he ordered it heard behind closed doors.

He also said that he never told Mrs. Buelna, mother of the prisoner, to employ his friend Cassin.

The committee then took a recess.

SENTENCED FOR FRAUDULENT VOTING

SAN FRANCISCO, February 18—Adolph Steffens, convicted of fraudulent voting at the primary election held last August, was today sentenced to three years' imprisonment in San Quentin.

PANAMA HEARING

Matter of Accepting Fees From Railroad Considered

WASHINGTON, February 18—The following extract from the minutes of the Isthmian Canal Commission of its meeting held October 11 last, explanatory of the directors' fees taken from the Panama Railroad company by members of the Canal Commission, was laid before the House Committee on Inter-State and Foreign Commerce at the conclusion of its hearing today by Chairman Hepburn, having been received by him from Commissioners Harrod and Grunsky in letters dated today.

The commissioners were also informed by the chairman that recent conference with the President the matter of attendance fees paid to the directors attending meetings provided by the by-laws of the Panama Railroad Company, was referred to and that the President desired the commission to be informed that his order fixing the compensation of the commissioners was not intended to prevent the acceptance of such fees.

No action in the matter was taken by the committee.

WOULD NOT TAKE FEE.

The letter of Commissioner Grunsky encloses a communication from him to Vice-President Drake of the Railroad Company of September 13 last, in which he returns "unopened" an envelope containing his fee for the first meeting he attended. He states that he did not refuse the envelope at the time it was handed to him at the close of the meeting, because he did not wish to embarrass his associates on the commission.

He says he could not construe the attendance fee as other than compensation and must decline to accept it.

Speaking of the \$250,000 paid to Colombia each year Mr. Drake said that he understood it would be necessary to pay this sum as long as the concession ran, which would be until 1969. This money he said, is now to be paid to Panama. It was Mr. Drake's opinion that the railroad would continue to do business and be an important factor when the canal is constructed.

Dr. Lovering reverted again to the Board of Directors and asked what was the specific work done by the board. The answer was that it dealt with all questions of policy, the approval of contracts and traffic agreements, the operation of the road and the increase of facilities.

CONTROLLING INTEREST.

Mr. Drake suggested that there is no board whose members have a higher standing. Repling to Mr. Wagner, he said that the Southern Pacific Railroad owned the controlling interest in the Pacific Mail Company.

Mr. Drake expressed the opinion that the offices of the company should not be moved from New York to Panama.

William Nelson Cromwell, General Counsel for the Panama Railroad Company for the past fifteen years, followed Mr. Drake. He stated that he negotiated the transfer of the stock of the company and is now engaged in acquiring under instructions from the Secretary of War the outstanding stock of the company for the government.

SELLS SHARES.

Mr. Cromwell had bought thirty shares of the stock for himself several years ago.

Have you transferred those shares to the United States?" asked Mr. Townsend.

Twenty-nine of them I have retained one share as a qualification as a director.

Mr. Cromwell stated that the Panama Railroad Company positively had no connection whatever with the transcontinental railways of this country.

Mr. Townsend—Have any dividends been declared by the company since members of the Canal Commission became members of the Board of Directors?

One, the five per cent dividend on February 1, 1905.

IS ON TRIAL.

Leon Cunier, an aged man who is charged with having detained 14-year-old Leontine Gere in an Emeryville hotel, is having his preliminary examination this afternoon. The case will probably be concluded before the court's adjournment today.

WOMAN ROBBED.

Mrs. M. L. Oakes residing at 618 Thirty-ninth street, reports to the police this morning that \$11 was stolen from her purse yesterday while she was making purchases at a local book store on Twelfth street.

ATTEMPT TO POISON MRS. JANE STANFORD.

Deadly Mixture Placed in Mineral Water—She Drank Freely and Was Deathly Sick.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 18—An attempt was made to murder Mrs. Jane L. Stanford in her California street mansion within the past month and private detectives are bending every effort to run down the person or persons who sought the death of the noted woman.

Poison was placed in a bottle of mineral water Mrs. Stanford drank three times of the deadly mixture but the poison had been used in such a large quantity that it served as its own emetic.

Mrs. Stanford was taken violently ill. The contents vomited from her stomach and the water left in the bottle from which she had taken three glassfuls was analyzed by a chemist. Sufficient poison was found to kill a dozen persons had it been used with any judgment.

Detectives are watching the servants in the Nob Hill residence, and following every clue suggested. There are suspicions, but who are conducting the investigation will not state them at this time.

Mrs. Stanford left the day before yesterday for Japan to recover from the terrible experience that nearly cost her life. She was ill when she had just returned to her home in this city and announced that she would entertain extensively suddenly changing her plans and told her friends

sailed on the steamer Korea, almost a nervous wreck from the realization of the attempt to kill her. The exact date she swallowed the poison is not known but it was after January 20 and before February 3. In fact, circumstances seem to fix the time before January 29.

Mrs. Stanford was to have entertained splendidly at her home on California street on February 8, in honor of the social debut of Miss Jennie Lathrop her niece and the daughter of Charles G. Lathrop. Society looked forward to a brilliant affair when suddenly on February 3, five days before the proposed coming-out reception, it was notified that all invitations had been withdrawn. The reason given was that Mrs. Stanford was ill.

But that was the second proposed social function abandoned by the widow of the university founder. On January 23 it was announced that all invitations had been recalled for a reception at which the members of the Board of Trustees of Leland Stanford Jr. University were to be her guests.

Within a few days Mrs. Stanford, who had just returned to her home in this city and announced that she would entertain extensively suddenly changing her plans and told her friends

that she must leave at once for the Orient to rest and recuperate.

There are several circumstances that the detectives are investigating. About a year ago Mrs. Stanford returned from a trip around the world. With her on the voyage was Miss Bertha Benner her secretary, a man named Beverly, her butler, and a maid.

Soon after the return to this city Beverly, the butler, was discharged and another man was employed in his place. Subsequently Mrs. Stanford went to New York and the St. Louis Exposition in time, however, coming again to San Francisco. She spent a few weeks at the Hotel Vendome in San Jose and shortly before Christmas re-opened the big house in this city and prepared for a winter of social activity, a revival of the splendid entertainments the mansion had seen.

Just what led to the discharge of the butler who had accompanied her around the world is not known. It is known, however, that Beverly had a particular friend in the person of Mrs. Stanford's secretary, and that Miss Benner made many pleas to have him reinstated in the household.

Beverly was not again employed, however, and Miss Benner sailed with Mrs. Stanford on the Korea.

ARTHUR M'EWEN GOES TO THE BULLETIN

One of the Foremost Writers in American to Remain in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 18—The Bulletin tonight says.

"With very great pleasure—a pleasure that will be shared by the public of California—The Bulletin announces that Arthur McEwen has become a permanent member of the staff of this paper. At present Mr. McEwen is taking a rest, which he greatly needed, for he has worked very hard, but he will soon be ready to resume the pen.

There is hardly a grown person of intelligence in California to whom the writings of Arthur McEwen is not familiar. He is easily the foremost newspaper writer in America and the appearance of his articles in The Bulletin will be awaited with eager expectancy. His personal following which is numerous throughout the United States is very large in California, for this State in his home and here he has done much of his most brilliant and most memorable work.

Mr. McEwen laid the foundation of his fame years ago as a special writer for the San Francisco newspapers. He

is undoubtedly one of the foremost writers in America. He has recently been with the Philadelphia North American.

GIFT MADE BY CHINA TO U. S.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18—Sir Cheng Tung Liang Cheng the Chinese Minister to-day presented to President Roosevelt an oil painting of the Dowager Empress of China for the United States and in some recognition of the part this country has played in the preservation thus far of the integrity of the Chinese Empire took the place of the Blue Room of the White House. It was attended by the former consul of China and the Chinese minister and the President.

SIR CHENG'S TALK.

Sir Liang Cheng addressed the President as follows:

"Sir, I am a reasonable doubt remains in the mind of a juror he is bound by the law and by his oath as a juror to give the defendant the benefit of it.

Each member of the jury must weigh the evidence in this case submitted to him carefully and determine for himself whether it convinces him beyond a reasonable doubt of the guilt of the defendant. Before he can vote for conviction he must be convinced, not only as a man but as a juror who has sworn to give a verdict according to the law and his oath.

He reviewed the incidents of the fire and the murders and the condition of the bodies when found.

WIFE MURDERER SENTENCED

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18—Frank Curry, a street car conductor recently convicted of manslaughter for the killing of his wife, was sentenced to ten years imprisonment in San Quentin.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18—Temperatures at 7 a. m. New York, 18, Philadelphia, 24; Chicago, 12; Cincinnati, 16; Boston, 24; Washington, 22; Minneapolis, 10; St. Louis, 16.

WHIPPLE—In East Oakland, February 17, 1898, at 102 Tenth Avenue, Orville Whipple, husband of the late Jeanette Whipple father of Mr. D. C. Van Court of San Francisco, Mrs. Rose McComb of Oakland, Mrs. Elmer Smith of Vallejo, Charles Whipple, Mrs. Fonda and Frank Whipple of Oakland, a native of New York, aged 62 years 10 months and 17 days. A member of Orion Lodge, No. 189, I. O. O. F., Brooklyn, Rebekah Lodge No. 14, Brooklyn Lodge No. 14, O. W. L. I., a large degree of Honor, and Veteran Odd Fellows.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services tomorrow (Sunday) February 18, at 2:30 o'clock p. m. at Orion Hall, corner of 11th and Harrison and East Twelfth street under the auspices of Orion Lodge No. 189, I. O. O. F.

ABERNETHY—In this city February 17, 1905, Elsie E. Abernethy wife of Robert S. Abernethy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Abernethy, Mrs. Al Savage and R. W. Copp a native of Oakland, aged 17 years 1 month and 17 days.

MALOCHE—In this city February 18, 1905, at 1701 Harrison Street, Mrs. Mary Ann Maloche, beloved mother of Mrs. Mary Yezina, Mrs. A. Meehan John B. Maloche and Mrs. S. Robin a native of Montreal, Canada, aged 81 years 4 months and 14 days.

WILSON—In Oakland, February 17, 1905, at 114 Sixth Avenue, Mrs. Lizzie J. Warren, mother of Granville D. and Harry E. Warren, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth D. Warren and sister of Henry D. Warren and Mrs. C. Simonds, both of Maine, aged 66 years 4 months and 5 days.

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SECOND RACE

Silicate (Knapp) 16 to 1 1

Agnes Mack (Blake) 4 to 5 2

Redan (Michaels) 2 to 1 3

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THIRD RACE

Revolt (Knapp) 4 to 1 1

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The Standard Oil Investigation.

The exhaustive inquiry Secretary Metcalf will make by direction of Congress into the methods and operations of the Standard Oil Company should be productive of results of incalculable value. It will lay before the country definite and accurate information in regard to matters which have been the subject of controversy and political agitation for thirty years. It will search into the very roots of the trust problem, and will throw a sidelight on the questions of railroad management, rebates, discrimination and capitalistic exploitation of industrial agencies.

The Standard Oil Company is the most powerful corporation in this or any other country. It controls banks, railroad systems and vast industrial organizations. Its influence is so potent, so ramified, so varied, and so exerted with such skill and sagacity, that the company is popularly regarded with peculiar suspicion and apprehension. It is certainly the center and dominating force of a vast and complex financial and industrial organization which capitalists, no matter how rich and powerful, shrink from antagonizing.

Politicians stand in awe of its fateful decrees and mercantile centers are equally timid in dealing with this giant corporation which has extended its tentacles into every avenue of financial and industrial activity.

It has been the policy of the Standard Oil Company, from the first, to avoid publicity and move silently and in the dark. This secrecy and furtive method of operation have invested the company to the popular mind with something of a demoniac power. It is credited with making and unmaking statesmen and financial kings. It is believed to be reaching out in every direction to absorb and control all the wealth-producing activities of the country.

Doubtless, it is far from being the malign agency that so many suppose, but it is nevertheless true that every opposition it could not buy out or absorb it has destroyed. Its path is strewn with financial wrecks. Calamity has befallen those who braved its power; prosperity has smiled on those who promoted its designs. It is the absolute dictator in the oil market of the world. Its long arms have fastened a tightening grip on the Orient.

Such is the organization Secretary Metcalf is to investigate. The task has been confided to able and unprejudiced hands. Mr. Metcalf is a trained lawyer of strong poise, penetrating intellect and cool judgment. He will get at the facts without fear or favor and present them impartially. He will search for the truth in an unprejudiced spirit. Therefore, his inquiry ought to yield results of a most satisfying character. He will sift the facts from the chaff of fiction and give to the country the correct information so long desired and so long withheld respecting this mighty aggregation of capital.

Mr. Metcalf will approach his task in the spirit that actuates his chief. While ardently desirous of correcting abuses and protecting the public from spoliation, President Roosevelt is anxious to avoid business disturbance on a large scale. He realizes the evil that would result from dislocating the industrial organization. He understands that a financial panic would spell national disaster. He is not unfriendly to capital nor hostile to corporate activities. His sole aim is to prevent centralized wealth from swelling profits by surreptitious and unlawful methods; to hold corporations within legitimate bounds and to restrict their operations to the limits of public policy.

In Secretary Metcalf he has a coadjutor who sympathizes with his aims and will give their furtherance a service at once loyal and diligent. The inquiry committed to him is one the public has long demanded, and it is one that will be prosecuted in manner to secure the best results.

Getting News From Afar.

The Springfield Republican is rather cocksure it knows all about Oakland politics. It says this city is "a perfectly dead Republican community, where an idea hasn't got through the party blanket in twenty years." Within the past twenty years, despite the overwhelming Republican majority, three Mayors have been elected on the Democratic ticket. One Mayor was elected running independent, and another was elected as a non-partisan running against the regular Republican nominee. The present Mayor is a Democrat, elected as the joint nominee of the Republican, Democratic and Municipal League parties. The City Attorney is a Democrat, and so is one member of the Council elected as a Republican and Municipal League nominee. Two School Directors are Democrats elected as Republican nominees. The same political vagaries are to be noted in the election of county offices. In short, the voters of Oakland and Alameda county have continuously exhibited a spirit of independence in voting for a period much longer than twenty years.

It is evident the Springfield Republican has much to learn about this community. Possibly it may be correct in assuming that Mr. Jack London would make an ideal Mayor, but the people of this city reserve the right of deciding for themselves in that matter. They are better acquainted with Mr. London than is the editor of the Springfield Republican, and while they admire Mr. London's literary genius they are not so enamored of his political theories.

Mr. Frank K. Mott, the joint nominee of the Republican, Democratic and Municipal League parties, is an estimable and popular merchant and not a politician in any sense. He is the sort of man the voters of this city prefer in the hope of getting a practical business administration. The inhabitants of Oakland cordially desire to see Mr. London continue in his literary activities, and will vote for Mr. Mott.

The butchery of the helpless poor has elicited a logical protest. A peaceful appeal was answered with cannon and musketry, and the rejoinder is the bomb of the assassin. The Russian Government has been described as a despotism tempered by assassination. It is a horrible recourse, and while all right-minded persons must condemn and deplore such crimes the fact cannot be ignored that oppression may silence complaint against oppression but in doing so it only invites the dagger or the bomb of the assassin.

A Scheme to Harass Judges.

The proposition to place Superior Judges on trial before the Supreme Court for misfeasance, malfeasance, incompetence or other moral or mental disqualification for service in the judiciary opens up a broad question of public policy. It involves the establishment of a new and strange precedent. Such untried experiments are always to be approached with caution and entered upon only after the maturest deliberation.

At present a Judge may be prosecuted under indictment if he commit any criminal act, or he may be impeached by the Legislature and removed from office if found guilty of corruption or acts subversive of justice and decency. A proposed constitutional amendment now before the Legislature provides that Superior Court Judges may be put on trial before the Supreme Court for incompetency, misconduct or unprofessional conduct in office, and be removed from office, if found guilty, by a judgment concurred in by two-thirds of the Supreme Court Judges.

The adoption of this amendment would expose trial judges to all sorts of harassment at the hands of disappointed litigants and vengeful attorneys. It would be extraordinary, indeed, if a trial judge could be haled before the Supreme Court as a criminal at any

time at the instance of persons who desired to wreak vengeance upon him. Would this tend to create additional respect for the judiciary or in any way promote the ends of justice?

We think not. A certain immunity should attach to a judge, and his independence on the bench should not be subjected to any such strain. Technical errors in court rulings could be made the basis of humiliating and libellous character. Every Judge on the bench would become the target for the malice and persecution of unprincipled attorneys. And what good would come of it all?

Every official act of a judge may be reviewed before a higher court in one way or another, and that seems sufficient, coupled with the power of impeachment lodged in the Legislature. The moral and mental fitness of judges should not be open to question by every shyster lawyer in the land. If the amendment were adopted there is one lawyer in San Francisco who would have presents filed against every one of the twelve Superior Judges inside of a year. Think what a weapon it would be in the hands of a vindictive crank like Horace Philbrook.

We have no idea the Legislature will submit the proposed amendment to popular vote, and we have no hesitation in saying it is something to be left severely alone.

Leach For City Attorney

The office of City Attorney is a specially important one, of unusual importance under our municipal system. The charter requires the incumbent to be an executive officer of large powers as well as the legal adviser of the Mayor and Council. In addition to handling all the city's litigation, he is a member of the Public Works and Police and Fire Board, and in this latter capacity he is vested with administrative functions equal to those of the Mayor.

It is gratifying to note that the Republican municipal convention wisely considered all these things in nominating a candidate for City Attorney. In presenting Mr. A. P. Leach, the convention made a choice above criticism, one that must command itself to the public from every point of view.

The nominee is qualified in every respect. He possesses character, sound discretion, and legal ability, and besides is well versed in the affairs of the city. His career at the bar and his personal associations are a guarantee that he will make an efficient and upright officer.

For the past six years Mr. Leach has been Prosecuting Attorney of the Police Court, being detailed for that duty by the District Attorney of the county. It is universally conceded that he has performed the trying duties of his position with signal credit. His conduct has been marked by legal skill, address and clear judgment. He has never invited unfavorable criticism, and has never once given the public cause for dissatisfaction; on the contrary, his conduct in office is heartily commended by all classes.

It may be further added that Mr. Leach's family ties, political affiliations and social connections are unexceptionable. He has grown up in this city from boyhood and the public is thoroughly acquainted with his entire life. And he has led a blameless one.

Such is the man the Republicans present as their candidate for City Attorney. He is worthy of the party, worthy of the city, worthy of the esteem and suffrages of his fellow citizens. He will make a City Attorney in whom every trust can be reposed, and can be relied on to hold the honor and interests of the city dear to his heart.

The owners of lands along the Sacramento river lying above the flood mark are up in arms against being made to pay a special tax for reclaiming the lower lying lands belonging to others. This protest was bound to come sooner or later and might have been foreseen from the start. It is natural that men should object to being taxed to benefit their neighbors solely. Nor, can it be said the objection is without justice. It would be equally just to tax a man already provided with water to irrigate his lands to furnish water for some landowner less fortunate. The very men who are insisting that somebody else should pay for improving their property would be the first to raise a howl if the boot were on the other leg.

RIGHT YOU ARE, MY HEARTY.

THE OAKLAND TRIBUNE takes exception to some comment in this column on the backwardness of the Alameda county division scheme and says: "The division of Alameda county is not a serious question at this time. In the future the county will be divided by the municipalities clustering around Oakland being consolidated into a city and county. But that is a remote consummation. At present the proposition is only in the academic stage." Thanks for the explanation. We understand. It is only in the high school now and is not yet prepared for Berkeley.—Nevada City Miner-Transcript.

JACK LONDON AND OAKLAND.

Some apprehension is expressed that Jack London has made a mistake in going into politics. Let the anxious be comforted. Oakland, Cal., where he is nominated for Mayor by the Socialists, is a perfectly dead, Republican community, where an idea hasn't permeated through the party blanket for twenty years. Mr. London is full of ideas; he has made intimate acquaintance with social conditions in London and New York, not to mention San Francisco and Nome, and knows too much to have any chance of being Mayor. But he may spread his dangerous doctrines if he goes on prophesying that unless the conditions are changed there will be an upheaval in this country that will dwarf the French Revolution. He avers that he sees no reason why millions of Americans should be in terrible poverty when so poor and ignorant a tribe of Alaska Indians as the Inuitas have everything they need. This, however, is a curious comparison. Would it not be the simplest way of equalization for all of us to accept the Inuit standard of living? Mr. London, nor any other Socialist, believes in the lowering, but rather in the lifting, of standards.—Springfield (Mass.) Republican.

CHIPS FROM OTHER BLOCKS

Doubtless, on second thought, General Stoessel concluded he would rather be a hero on parole (and on the pay roll) than a dead hero.—Atlanta Constitution.

The American navy is going to send out vessels to shoot up dervishes. There are a few former statesmen who would do well to keep off the high seas for a time.—Minneapolis.

The railroad legislation that is really needed is an extirpation of the iniquities in freight rebates and in the private car trusts.—Philadelphia Record.

Turn not your back to others, especially in speaking; jog not the table or desk on which another reads or writes; lean not on any one.—George Washington.

Professor Herriam says the ichthyosaurus existed on earth for 8,000,000 years. It is well to be scrupulously exact.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Some men maintain a yacht, others keep a stable of racers, but Colonel Henry L. Higginson of Boston takes his amusement by back-

ing the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Last year it cost him \$40,000; one year it was \$52,000.—Concord Monitor.

It may not be too late, even now, for Uncle Tom Platt to compromise with Miss Wood by buying those love letters from her at her own valuation.—Chicago Tribune.

The practical break-down of the police department and the revival of the "cadet" practices show that Tammany's "system" is still in good working order.—New York Tribune.

"Cannon Wins in Caucus," states a contemporary's headline. Cannon will win anything if there be enough of them—York Dispatch.

Somebody has compiled figures showing that "20 per cent of the telephone girls marry every year." They are the ones perhaps with the "low, soft voice."—Chicago Tribune.

He planted firm his dainty feet upon the pavement sleek with sleet, and then he planted hard his head upon the spot his feet had tread.—New York Commercial.

Maxim Gorky need not take the precaution to enclose stamps with the next article he sends to any magazine.—Providence Journal.

SOME PASSING JESTS.

"My paw got my maw a new dress yesterday."

"What has your paw been doing?"—Detroit Tribune.

Young Saphead is a forward pup—

When Agnes came to town
Upon the 'phone he called her up,
But Agnes called him down!

—Houston Chronicle.

"I'm a-go'n to be permoted!"

"Aw, yer hain't, neither!"

"Youriliar. I heard de tercher tellin' de sup-rintendent dat if I'd keep on like I was doin' I'd b'long ter de criminal class."

"Gee, but ain't youse de lucky one!"—Cleveland Leader.

"How is this committee room heated?" asked the Legislator in child-like innocence.

"By indirect hot-air system," replied the bland lobbyist, slipping a roll of green backs into the statesman's hand.

"Seems remarkably successful," said the latter, dazed at the size of the wad.—Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune.

"How much have you got, Billy?"

"Fourpence."

"I've got twopence. Let's put it together and go halves!"—Punch.

"Oh, mamma," cried Edith, "I found a flea on kitty, and I caught it."

"What did you do with it?" asked her mother.

"Why, I put it back on kitty again, of course. It was her flea."—Lippincott's Magazine.

Friend—How are you doing now?

Scribbler—First rate. Rev. M. Saintie and I have gone into partnership. Making money hand over fist.

"Eh? How do you manage?"

"I write books and he denounces them."—New York Weekly.

She—I am glad we went. It was an excellent performance—and for such a charitable purpose!

Her Husband—Yes, indeed! We feel a thrill of satisfaction when we do something for charity and get the worth of our money at the same time.—London Tid-Bits.

THE ART OF COOKING.

The man whose wife can prepare him savory and wholesome meals is less likely to spend his time and money in a public house than he whose wife's culinary efforts result in nothing better than a bit of meat fried to leather in a frying pan and potatoes with "bones in their middles."

A poor woman who has an elementary but sound knowledge of the properties of different foods, and knows how best to prepare them, is less likely to have rickety and anaemic children than her more prosperous neighbor, if they have not his useful knowledge.

"The fate of nations," says Brillat-Savarin, "depends on how they are fed."

The teaching of cookery should not be confined to the elementary schools; it ought to form a part of every girl's education. If it is not necessary for her actually to cook her own food, if she marries, and often if she does not, she will have to direct her servants, to point out their mistakes and show them how to correct them. There is a great outcry over the incompetency of cooks and other servants, but few seem to realize that the position is caused by incompetent mistresses.

But unfortunately the education of the average girl is not as a rule conducted with any view of her future duties. During her school life she is occupied with her studies and frequently in training for examinations, and leisure is generally devoted to hockey and other games. When she leaves school she is brought out, and her life for some time is a round of amusements.

"She will only be young once," say her indulgent parents. Then she marries and finds herself at the head of a household, not understanding a single detail of its management. At what a cost does she gain her experience and at what a cost to her husband!

NOT LIKE MICHAEL O'FLYNN.

Colonel William possesses over 150 full military and naval uniforms with all their appurtenances of swords, straps, belts, sashes, caps, hats, helmets and shako's, more than any other potentate in the world. As a result of over 40 years in his army, he has 150 uniforms, not only of parade, but the ordinary and interim uniforms as well, with sword, sword knot and all complete. Then he is the colonel of each of his guard regiments, uniform in this corps there are 150 sets uniformed.

Colonel William has a large collection of various costumes, hang in huge cupboards. They are under the charge of the keeper, a very valiant who is an assiduous, particularly engaged in clean and making repairs and alterations.

PARTY LINES.

(From the Philadelphia Bulletin.)

Nordy—There are many kinds of women in the world.

Butte—Not in our town. Only two kinds there.

Nordy—And what may they be?

Butte—Those who have been "Paraded" and those who have not.

—CUPID.

A FREE PACKAGE

I want every person who is bitten or has any scratch or liver ailment to send for a free package of my Paw-Paw Pills. I want to prove that they are the best cure for Indigestion, Poor Stomach, Belching, Wind, Headache, Nervousness, Headaches, and all the diseases that call for Constitution. To do this I am willing to give millions of free packages. Send me your name and address and I will send you a free package address.

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MUNYON, Philadelphia

Pongee is a popular fabric for the suit blouse.

Mannish waistcoats of white pique are to be worn.

The waistcoat draped like a surplice is popular.

Long, tight cuffs to the elbow are becoming and modish.

A hat of silk poppies, shading from pink to red, is attractive.

Scarlet peacock feathers are the fashionable flower for decorations.

The new chameleon silks are charming for Louis Seize designs.

MAYOR OLNEY DEFENDS BAY CITIES PROPOSITION

Gives His Reasons For Having Issue Submitted to a Vote—Makes Reply to Some of His Critics.

The following communication has been sent to THE TRIBUNE:

To the people of Oakland: Before you elected to office the present Mayor and City Council you pledged them in the strongest possible manner to advise, if possible, and present to you some plan by which the city should become the owner of its own water works system. The Mayor and Council have had this pledge in mind all the time and to the best of their ability have redeemed their promises. It has not been an easy task. It has required much time, much thought and no small amount of negotiation with different corporations. The result of our labors is before you. We have done our best and it is for you to approve or reject.

As my term of office is about to expire, and I have given much attention and study to the matter, will you supply for Oakland, I take it, that it will not be out of place for me to lay before you a condensed statement of the situation as it appears to me. To do so it is necessary to begin with a brief history covering the period of the present administration.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH BAY CITIES WATER COMPANY.

Immediately on taking office negotiations were opened with the Bay Cities Water Company, keeping in mind that it would be better for Oakland if there should be a strong rival to the Contra Costa Water Company. The city thereby would reap the advantage of competition in the sale to it of a water plant and could make terms with the corporation that would do the most for the city for the least money. Negotiations were also opened with other corporations and individuals claiming to own a water supply. The advisability of buying out the Contra Costa Water Company if the purchase could be made at anything like fair value was kept in mind the time. Personally, I have at all times been willing, and I think the majority of the Council had the same views, that it would be desirable to buy out the Contra Costa Water Company even if we had to pay a full million of dollars more than the property was really worth. What the actual value of that property is will appear further on. But, whatever its value, I am and always have been willing to pay a large bonus to rid ourselves of that corporation.

The first proposition from the Bay Cities Water Company was that it should bring water in any quantity the city desired to the eastern boundary of Oakland and sell it to the city by the million gallons for the period of twenty years. This proposition was afterwards withdrawn by the company under the advice of its lawyers that a twenty-year's contract could not be made binding upon the city.

After this stand was taken negotiations proceeded upon another basis, which resulted in the proposition submitted by me to the Council on August 10, 1903. In short, this proposition of the Bay Cities Water Company was much like the one now before the people, except that it was proposed to utilize the flood waters of Del Valle Creek alone, Isabel Creek not being mentioned.

The Council employed Mr. Desmond Fitzgerald to examine the proposed scheme and report thereon. Mr. Fitzgerald, at considerable expense to the city, made an examination of the properties proposed to be conveyed by the Bay Cities Water Company and in his report stated three objections to the proposition. On account of these three objections, Mr. Fitzgerald disapproved of the proposition. But all three of these objections have been entirely obviated by the new proposition made by the Bay Cities Water Company now before you.

UNFAIR ARGUMENT.

"By most unfair argument it is stated and reiterated that Mr. Fitzgerald's report is hostile to the proposed plan of the Bay Cities Water Company. 'Damnable iteration' has been made in the minds of many people that the present plan or proposition now before you has been condemned by Mr. Fitzgerald. Such is not the case. A consideration of his three objections to the old proposition will show how unfair the argument is. The argument, too, is a fair type of the methods of the Contra Costa's advocates.

The first and most important objection made by Mr. Fitzgerald was that the Del Valle Creek alone would, in a period of excessive drought like 1885 and 1899, produce 11,350,000 gallons of water per day for the city of Oakland after deducting the claims of riparian owners on the creek below.

It strikes me that a supply, in such a period of drought of 11,350,000 gallons of water per day, would be immensely valuable to the city of Oakland. Bear in mind that Mr. Fitzgerald's estimate was for water from the Del Valle Creek alone and he referred to a period of the most prolonged drought of which we know in California. One naturally inquires what the Contra Costa Water Company could do in such a season of drought. No eleven millions of gallons per day, nor the half of it, could be obtained from Lake Chabot. The supply from that lake must be supplemented and helped out from the Niles Creek. The city can get water from the Niles Creek just as well and as easily as can the Contra Costa Water Company. But eleven millions of gallons per day of pure mountain water obtained from the Del Valle Creek will tide over a city of 120,000 people in seasons of severe drought. With Del Valle Creek alone, therefore, the city would be better off than it is now in seasons of drought.

"But don't lose sight of the fact that the present proposition of the Bay Cities Water Company is to add the flood waters of Isabel Creek to the supply. This, according to the report of the engineers, will give the city full 20,000,000 gallons per day, even in case of drought. On the lead waters of Isabel Creek the rainfall is heavier than on Del Valle Creek.

"Therefore, the first and greatest objection of Mr. Fitzgerald is more than answered.

SECOND OBJECTION.

The second objection was that before the dam the waters of the hills would mingle with the stream before the pipe took up the water, and possibly affect its quality unless filtered. But the distance is not great and as these hills are high and steep we all know that the danger of contamination is extremely small. The bulk of the water would come from the reservoir

above, where its quality is approved by Mr. Fitzgerald. But suppose there is danger, it can be entirely obviated, according to Mr. Fitzgerald, by fitting the dam to you to compare the two hills of farm and grass land which drain into Lake Chabot with the steep mountainous country about the Del Valle Creek and say which from the very nature of the case must supply the better water. Is not Mr. Fitzgerald's second objection answered?

The third and last objection was as to the character of the dam the Bay Cities Water Company proposed to erect for the purpose of storing the flood waters of Del Valle Creek. Mr. Fitzgerald said that no dam of the kind proposed had been actually tried in the United States, though it had been much discussed by engineers and on theoretical grounds it is difficult to find an objection to it. The foregoing is his own language. But the new proposition of the Bay Cities Water Company is for a different kind of dam. A kind that has been tried and found good. It is approved by the Board of Engineers appointed by the Council and the Bay Cities Water Company.

"Now what is there that Mr. Fitzgerald objected to that has not been fully met by the proposition now before you? Absolutely nothing. I repeat with all possible emphasis that the continual dragging in of the objections made by Mr. Fitzgerald in his report on the original proposition of the Bay Cities Water Company is for the purpose of confusing your minds and is not fair argument. It ought to have no weight with the voter.

THE CONTRA COSTA WATER COMPANY REFUSES TO KEEP ITS AGREEMENT TO ARBITRATE.

"Mr. Fitzgerald's report was presented to the Council on January 18, 1904, and the Council, basing its action on that report, refused to enter into a contract with the Bay Cities Water Company. No attempt was made by the Council to get a second or better proposition from the Bay Cities Water Company. Negotiations were suspended. That negotiations were suspended was because of a proposition that was made by the Contra Costa Water Company to the Council to fix the valuation of its plant by arbitration. It seemed to all there was to be a strong and difficult case in mind that Mr. Fitzgerald's report was not made public until January 18, 1904. Until this report was public the Contra Costa Water Company did not know what the report would be. It evidently was afraid of it. Evidently, too, its managers were not so doubtful of the title of the Bay Cities Water Company to the flood waters of Del Valle Creek, as they profess to be now, and which they and their followers are continually dinging into the ears of the Oakland voters. My reason for this conclusion is that four days previous to the filing of Mr. Fitzgerald's report, and while the Contra Costa Water Company's engineers were still at work on what it would be and for effect they delivered to the Council a written proposition, purporting to be signed by Mr. Dingee as President, to the effect that the Contra Costa Water Company would submit the question of the value of its plant for rate-fixing purposes, and for leasing, and for purchase, to a board of three engineers, one to be selected by the city, one by the Contra Costa Water Company, and they two to select the third. Now we seem to have a solution of our difficulties. It was just what the city wanted. It wanted a board of competent persons to fix the value of the Contra Costa Water Company's plant. The people of Oakland are willing, more than willing, to pay water rates on a fair value of the existing plant. The people of Oakland are willing, more than willing, to buy the Contra Costa plant at a fair valuation. I am myself willing, as a citizen and taxpayer of Oakland, that she should pay the full value of the Contra Costa Water Company's plant when ascertained and add thereto a large bonus, in order to get rid of the corporation and eliminate its influence from our city politics. I believe three-fourths of the voters of Oakland are of the same mind.

HAILED WITH PLEASURE.

"Personally I hailed the written proposition of the corporation to submit this question of value to arbitration with the greatest pleasure. The term 'value' as applied to water property for rate-fixing purposes has been settled by the courts, and the proposition the company was to fix the value of its plant by arbitration. But before the proposition was reduced to a written contract so as to bind it upon the company Mr. Fitzgerald's report came out. Assuming that we were dealing with men who would not go back on a plain, unambiguous written statement of what they were willing to do, a contract was drawn up embodying the exact language of the written proposition, neither more nor less. Not a word was added, nor was a word taken therefrom, except to provide for carrying out the written proposition. In other words, to make it binding upon the Contra Costa Water Company.

The Contra Costa Water Company refused to sign the contract and withdrew its proposition.

"I have been told that when the president of the company was reprimanded by a member of the city government for not keeping faith, he excused himself by saying that when he made the proposition, he did not know what Mr. Fitzgerald's report was. Is comment necessary?

DESMOND. FITZGERALD'S APPRAISEMENT OF THE CONTRA COSTA WATER CO.'S PLANT.

"Before closing this statement of facts preceding the present proposition of the Bay Cities Water Company it is my duty to remind you of the appraisement of the value of the Contra Costa Water Company's plant made by Mr. Desmond Fitzgerald, the same engineer who is so much quoted because of the three objections made by him to the original proposition of the Bay Cities Water Company. Previous to taking office he relied upon the evidence of the three engineers who testified on behalf of the city in the water case commonly known as the Hart case, as against the three engineers two of whom who were employees of the Water Company and were the only engineers produced by the Water Company on the trial. It seemed to me that there could be no doubt that the testimony of these nine men should be relied upon rather than the testimony of the two hired men of the Contra Costa Water Company.

"I make no apology for spending so much time on these questions of value for the value of the Contra Costa Water Company's plant must be considered in all connection as to what action the City of Oakland should take. That corporation, however, has rejected the proposition of the Bay Cities Water Company had been rejected by the Council, and after arbitration had failed, the Council fixed

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the rate we must pay for water for the year beginning July 1, 1904, upon a valuation of \$4,700,000 on the Oakland division and allowed practically, as part of the running expenses, every demand of the Contra Costa Water Company to allow for the amount of subscriptions made by the corporation to public celebrations and to charity. In my opinion the Council erred on the side of too great liberality to the water company. But notwithstanding this, the corporation immediately brought a suit in the United States Circuit Court and obtained a preliminary injunction. That court is congested with business and there is no telling when the case can be heard on its merits. I have no doubt of the results when that hearing can be obtained. But the people are paying rates on a valuation of seven millions of dollars and paying extravagant sums besides for operating expenses which the company charges against the city.

THE NEW PROPOSITION OF THE BAY CITIES WATER COMPANY.

"Having now given as briefly as possible a history of what has taken place up to within a few months, with such comments as the occasion seemed to call for, I now take up the situation that confronts us.

"In the language of President Cleveland, "It is a condition, not a theory that concerns us. In the first place there is no time for delay in getting out the Contra Costa Water Company unless we are willing to pay at least seven million dollars therfor. There is no statement before the people that the corporation will sell for that sum even. Are you willing to pay that amount? If the city will not agree to pay as much as seven million dollars, then you can rest assured that if a Council fixes the water rates based upon a less valuation, another suit will be brought by the company in the U. S. Circuit Court to enjoy their collection. We can rely upon suits being brought every year until such time as the corporation reaches the Supreme Court of the United States. That court has had other water cases before it and we can fairly assume a knowledge of what that tribunal will do when our case reaches it. It has uniformly decided for the people herebefore. It will put a quietus upon the claims of the water company. But meanwhile we have tumult and litigation, unless we feel that it is better to accede to the demands of the company and pay twice what its property is worth. Do you want to do it? If so there is no use carrying the matter further. I call upon you to do one thing or the other. If you are not willing to accede to these demands then let us install a water plant of our own. For my part I am in favor of accepting the Bay Cities Water Company's proposition, because, if there were no other reasons, it promises to deliver to us a water supply which we have not had before. It is a good proposition, as far as I can see.

"Reflect for a moment and you will realize that there is an adequate supply of water for the cities on our side of the bay. If they keep on growing, as they no doubt will, nearer than the waters of Alameda Creek. The flood waters of that creek are now going to waste into the bay. That creek and its tributaries are our natural source of water supply, and if the Bay Cities Water Company can now deliver at the margin of the city, for the sum of \$3,750,000, a plant and water supply equal to twenty million gallons per day, it is the natural power, from a business point of view, not to close with the proposition and deal with the Contra Costa Water Company afterwards. By doing so we shall be in a position to dictate terms to that corporation and compel it to sell at a fair valuation. I assume that the City of Oakland will never attempt to get the property for less than it is fairly worth. I shall go into this question of business policy further on.

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"In short, it is to impound the flood waters of Del Valle and Isabel Creeks and store them in the mountains back of Mt. Hamilton at an elevation of seventeen hundred feet above sea level, and at the same time by means of a wood, stave pipe, past Pleasanton and through the Niles Canyon to the eastern boundary of the City of Oakland, the plant to be complete in all respects and satisfactory to the engineers selected by the City of Oakland, and to have a capacity of delivering daily twenty millions of gallons of water.

"We already have the report of Mr. Fitzgerald on the Del Valle Creek and we have the report of the board of engineers appointed to fix the value of the plant. It is the natural power of the city to fix the value of the plant. The people of Oakland are willing, more than willing, to pay water rates on a fair value of the existing plant. The people of Oakland are willing, more than willing, to buy the Contra Costa plant at a fair valuation. I am myself willing, as a citizen and taxpayer of Oakland, that she should pay the full value of the Contra Costa Water Company's plant when ascertained and add thereto a large bonus, in order to get rid of the corporation and eliminate its influence from our city politics. I believe three-fourths of the voters of Oakland are of the same mind.

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"The fact is that the Spring Valley Water Works many years ago turned its attention to Alameda Creek and acquired what rights it possesses, not because the waters of Alameda Creek were needed for the people of San Francisco, but because it feared that the City of San Francisco would itself utilize the waters of Alameda Creek and thereby cut off the water supply to the Spring Valley Water Works. The Spring Valley Water Works out of business.

"The Postum took coffee's place so completely that before we realized it we had forgotten coffee ever existed and all the time I was improving rapidly, from the very time I began the Postum.

"To put it briefly, the improvement continued until I am again well worn.

"Although I drank the Postum and got so well, my husband couldn't be induced to drink it for he thought it was one of the most terrible coffee and tea mixtures. But about six weeks ago he had an attack of kidney trouble and first thing the doctor told him was to quit coffee. Then for the first time he tasted the Postum and he was surprised and delighted. He has drunk it ever since and his attack of kidney trouble is gone and this morning he made me feel proud by saying the Postum was the best coffee he ever drank. Now all of our children drink it too.

"I make my morning Postum on the after-supper fire the night before and a light boiling in the morning brings it to perfection and in this way it takes no longer to make in the morning than coffee did. It does not taste stale like coffee does. The flavor is really improved." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

these flood waters is guaranteed by the company, and no money is to be paid until the city authorities are absolutely satisfied that the guaranty is made good. That is to say, the company contracts to give a perfect title to the water company, and draw down any portion of the purchase price without securing the repayment to the city of the amount so drawn down in the event it should turn out that the company's title is not good; and if that method of security is not satisfactory, the bonds may be left in escrow, to be sold when the title is made perfectly satisfactory. The purchase price is to be \$3,750,000.

GENERAL TERMS.

"These are the general terms of the proposition, but if you agree to accept the proposition in its general terms then a careful and elaborate contract is to be drawn that shall be satisfactory to the city authorities to carry out the agreement. In other words, the proposition is preliminary, its general purposes being stated, and if you approve of the same, then the drafting of the formal contract between Oakland and the Bay Cities Water Company is to be left to your attorney.

"I think it is perfectly safe to say that never in the history of the acquisition of large or valuable property by any municipality, or State, or country, were there ever before so many safeguards used to protect the rights of the people. In ordinary business transactions no man would be so complete in his property as his opponent and his opponent's lawyers. It is an compliment to the people of Oakland that the Bay Cities Water Company is willing to trust the people so fully.

"Now, what are the objections to this proposition? I shall take up the principal ones about which we hear most.

THE QUESTION OF TITLE.

"There are more objections urged on the ground of insecure or insufficient title in the Bay Cities Water Company than I can possibly name. I will not go into the details of the case, but I will say that the title of the Bay Cities Water Company is not yet established. But a more important objection is that the proposition is being brought up before the case reaches the Supreme Court of the United States. That court has had other water cases before it and we can fairly assume a knowledge of what that tribunal will do when our case reaches it.

"Section 149 of the Charter applies to City Bonds. It reads: 'Nor shall any such bonds (that is bonds for improvements, water rights, etc.) be issued or sold during any one year in excess of the actual expenditures incurred in that year.'

There goes another spook!

COMPETITION WITH THE CONTRA COSTA COMPANY.
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"The fear that disastrous competition may ensue between the Contra Costa Water Company and the city in the event of the city installing its own plant, possesses many of our best citizens. I know of good business men who are much disturbed over this prospect. But a little examination of the law will show there is no good reason for it. Every city is at liberty to construct its own plant in the interest of the general public. No corporation can use those streets, except as ordinary individuals use them, without special permission from the city. Unless the constitution or the general law makes provision therefor, no water company can open the streets in a city to lay or repair its water pipes unless the city gives that permission. This is elementary law. Now the Constitution of California does provide for opening streets by water company to lay pipes when and where it sees fit. It is not even before made to a municipality. It is evident that the man who has put their money into this corporation are absolutely sure of their title. They stand to lose millions of dollars if the title fails.

"For my own part, when I reflect that the flood waters of Del Valle and Isabel Creeks have never been actually used, that they have always gone and are now going to waste, that a great city (for I look upon Oakland, Berkeley and Alameda as rapidly growing up almost alongside of the outlet of these creeks) less than this great city has no adequate source of supply in the neighborhood except from these streams. I have very little doubt that the title of the Bay Cities Water Company will be confirmed by the courts. The only possible competitor is the Spring Valley Water Works, which is now taking from Alameda Creek less than sixteen million gallons per day for the supply of San Francisco. It has never sold the flood waters of Isabel Creek or Del Valle Creek, and in my opinion in any contest between the Bay Cities Water Company which is undertaking to supply the City of Oakland, and the Spring Valley Water Works, the courts will say that the Spring Valley Water Works may be allowed to lay pipe in any new place or to a new building. In my opinion we can prevent the laying of new pipe which are not necessary, but a city would have the power to compel the water company to take up its pipes. But I will never admit that it is entirely sufficient to prevent the laying of any new pipe to put the Contra Costa Water Company out of business.

"I understand there was no competition in Vallejo between the Chabot Water Company and the city after the city installed its own plant. From the very nature of the case, there cannot be competition.

"Once again the city has the power of taxation. It can impose such a license for any private corporation or individual supplying water to the people that the city can recoup in license taxes any sums it would lose by reason of competition. Therefore it seems to me that the fears of our people in regard to competition are entirely groundless.</

THE MEDDLER

VALENTINE DAY FUNCTIONS.

February furnishes several pretty days for characteristic social functions, but of them all none is so pretty as Valentine's Day. The fourteenth this year came, conveniently, on Tuesday and so was marked by quite an unusual number of luncheons and dinners, at which the pretty favors showed heart effects, with pink and

Clubrooms in the Palace Hotel, in honor of the Richard Watson Tullys and the Sunday before was the Mead tea. Tomorrow L. Eugene Lee will give a tea at his and Mrs. Lee's attractive home on Steiner street. Mrs. Lee entertaining a good deal, but this time Mr. Lee is the host and the cards read "Egg nog and music." The musicals is to be quite an elaborate affair and three hundred cards have been sent

much more so than the Palace, which, however, still holds its place in the affections of luncheon hostesses.

THE HERRIN TEA.

Mrs. William F. Herrin and Miss Herrin have sent out cards for a large tea. Such affairs at the beautiful home of the Herrins are always worth while. This is a ladies' tea for Friday, Feb-

makes an election of more than usual interest.

MEETING AT HOME CLUB.

In spite of the pouring rain, the meeting at the Home Club on Thursday was largely attended. There was a business meeting in the morning, when Doctor Annette Buckel read an elaborately prepared paper on the new



red ruling in the decorations and hearts abounding everywhere. Among the prettiest of these affairs was a dinner given by Dr. and Mrs. Cool. It was one of a series of costume affairs. Red lights shone and every guest was requested to appear as Valentine. The costumes ranged from pretty ones trimmed with paper lace to comic effects, in which the characters were all grotesque.

Red hearts hung from the ceiling of the dining room and red tulips decorated the table. Several people from this side of the bay were among the guests.

Mrs. Frank Prentiss Deering gave a Valentine luncheon, at which pink almond blossoms in baskets, pink tulips and hearts painted with dainty dames in water colors, formed the decoration motifs.

Mrs. Alexander Baldwin (Jessie Glascott) gave a Valentine bridge party, which was daintiness itself in all its appointments.

Mrs. William G. Irwin gave a large Valentine dinner in honor of Miss Lily Spreckels and Mr. Holbrook, at which lilies formed the table decoration, out of compliment to the bride, but hearts and Valentines ruled everywhere else, very appropriately for a bride-to-be.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY FUNCTIONS.

Washington's Birthday will also see a number of attractive affairs, cards and otherwise, and at these most of the decorations will be in the National colors, with cherry blossoms and artificial fruit in the table centers and hatchets for souvenirs. There is nothing more attractive than St. Patrick's Day luncheon or dinner with Shamrock centerpieces, shillelaghs and Tara harps for name cards. A green dinner can be made very attractive, too, in the menu, and in the "Wearing of the Green."

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY TEAS.

There has not been a Sunday this late winter that someone has not had a large tea. Whatever religious people may think of the custom, few people disapprove of Sunday calls and a tea is, after all, nothing but calling on a large scale. The reason given for Sunday teas is that few men will come to teas on any other day, not even on Saturday. Last Sunday Mr. Lombard gave quite a large affair at the Sequoia

out by the host.

The large affair for today across the bay is the telephone tea to be given by Miss Amy Gunn, to which both men and women, mostly young ones, have been invited. Miss Gunn is a most attractive girl and her large home is sure to be crowded.

MRS. ROSENFIELD'S LUNCHEON.

Mrs. Rosenfeld is giving a large luncheon today in the Palm Garden of the Palace Hotel, to be followed by cards in her apartments.

CARDS OUT FOR A LUNCHEON.

The Misses Carrie and Belle Nicholson will give a luncheon at their home on Eighth street on Monday, February 27th.

RETURN FROM THE EAST.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Pierce returned from the East last Monday.

A SON FOR THE COBLYNS.

Mr. and Mrs. William Edward Colby (Mrs. Colby) were formerly Miss Rachel Vrooman are rejoicing in the arrival of a son, who is now almost a fortnight old and who was born at the Colby's artistic flat on Larkin street across the bay. The little boy is said to be a lusty lad and both he and his mother are doing finely.

ENTERTAINING THE TULLYS.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Watson Tully (Mrs. Eleanor Gates), who are spending the coldest part of the winter in California and who, in fact, spend part of every year here, have been considerably entertained by the literary set on both sides of the bay. Miss Adeline Knapp had an affair for them at her home in Berkeley and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Morrow entertained them at dinner. A play of Mr. Tully's is, I hear, soon to be produced.

USHERS AT THE HOLBROOK WEDDING.

Harry Holbrook has selected his ushers from among his intimate friends, regardless of the fact of whether they were married or not. This has come to be the rule in all weddings where the bride and groom are over twenty-five, as Cupid makes

such havoc in the ranks that few of one's intimates remain unmarried. For best man Mr. Holbrook has chosen John S. Merrill, for whom he acted in the same capacity and among the ushers are Robert Greer, who recently married Miss Charlotte Ellinwood, and Charles Felton, Jr., and Frank Owens, who are almost the only bachelors. The wedding party is being endlessly entertained.

A LITTLE GIRL FOR THE GRIFFINS.

The Frank Griffins are celebrating the arrival of a little daughter. The new-comer is very well made to the joy of the father and mother, one or the other of whom has been ill almost always since their marriage. Mrs. Griffin, who was Miss Pollis, was a long time in the hospital and Mr. Griffin has just recovered from a most severe and obstinate attack of typhoid fever.

THE ARNOLDS ENTERTAIN.

Dr. and Mrs. J. Dennis Arnold gave a very jolly and informal dinner at one of the Italian restaurants across the bay on Thursday evening. These down-town restaurant affairs are becoming very popular and are often indulged in especially by people who are boarding. The Arnolds have given up their house this year and are living at St. Dunstan's.

TO PLAY FOR CHARITY.

Mrs. Frank Richardson Wells still keeps up her violin practice and plays as beautifully as ever. She and her sister, Miss Hush, have been practicing most diligently since Mrs. Wells arrived and have delighted their friends. Mrs. Wells is to play at the Home Club next week and played this week for Mrs. Brayton at the Country Club.

OAKLAND'S CRAZE FOR TETRAZZINI.

Oakland has had quite a craze for Tetrazzini and many Oaklanders have been in the Tivoli audience each time the distinguished songstress has sung. Probably the pretty little Italian's best role is "Elvira" in "Puritan" which she sang first at the Tivoli. The opera was one of Elsie's earliest, was

written a great while ago, and was never a success, why, it is not difficult to guess after one has heard the opera with all its beauties and with all its unevenness. Tetrazzini, who has more musical than tonorial taste, dressed the part fleshily and looked uglier than I had supposed it was possible for a pretty woman to look. She wore those dreadful silk tight things over shoulders and arms and had her face made up in a much lighter shade. One of her postures as she attempted to recline upon a very elevated divan was the very most ungraceful thing I have ever seen on any stage. If Tetrazzini is going to sing "Lella" in New York I should advise her to make a trip across the continent and ocean to see Eames make up for "Aida"—the only artistic dressing of a "dark" part that I have ever seen. To cap the climax, Tetrazzini wore her own little bleached locks around her dark face, which was the crowning feat of incongruity.

MISS LUCILLE DUNHAM

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written a great while ago, and was never a success, why, it is not difficult to guess after one has heard the opera with all its beauties and with all its unevenness. Tetrazzini, who has more musical than tonorial taste, dressed the part fleshily and looked uglier than I had supposed it was possible for a pretty woman to look. She wore those dreadful silk tight things over shoulders and arms and had her face made up in a much lighter shade. One of her postures as she attempted to recline upon a very elevated divan was the very most ungraceful thing I have ever seen on any stage. If Tetrazzini is going to sing "Lella" in New York I should advise her to make a trip across the continent and ocean to see Eames make up for "Aida"—the only artistic dressing of a "dark" part that I have ever seen. To cap the climax, Tetrazzini wore her own little bleached locks around her dark face, which was the crowning feat of incongruity.

THE "LIARS" AS A SECOND PERFORMANCE.

The second performance of "The Liars" at the Tivoli Opera House on Monday evening was almost as great a social success as the first one and was witnessed by a crowded house. It did not, however, go quite as well as on the first occasion, critics to the contrary notwithstanding. The trouble was not that the actors lost their cues or were less well rehearsed than they were the first time, but that the Tivoli is so large that the participants were frightened at the extent of the house.

The people seemed so far away from them and there was none of that coziness they had felt in the little Columbia Theater. Then, too, they had been unable to hold many rehearsals in the Tivoli. Still, the performance was delightful, the charity much benefited by the large sum taken in but which has not yet been announced and many people who could get no seats for the first performance had the pleasure of seeing the play this time.

There were a large number of theater parties for "The Liars" and afterward most of these parties supped at the St. Francis which is usually very gay after the theater with music and supper parties for the St. Francis is conveniently located for theater-goers.

February 24, from 3 to 6 o'clock, and gentlemen are not invited.

MRS. WILSON'S DEATH.

The death of Mrs. Frank Wilson of Berkeley, though not unexpected, was still a great shock to her friends and was particularly sad because Mr. Wilson was not with her. Mr. Wilson is receiving condolences.

MRS. MCENERNEY'S TEA.

Mrs. Garret McEnery gave a very pretty tea on Wednesday of last week in honor of Mrs. Briggs of Sacramento. A large number of ladies called during the afternoon and after the various bridge parties were over, there were still more arrivals. The McEnery home on Steiner street was beautifully decorated and Mrs. McEnery wore a handsome gown in white effects. Dainty refreshments were served at a flower-laden table.

INTERESTING CLUB ACTIVITIES.

Everywhere there are interesting club activities in these last days before Lent. Not the least interesting of the activities are the annual elections, now close at hand in three of the clubs, the Home Club, the Ebell, and the Oakland Club. The three presidents have been Miss Ethel Moore, Mrs. J. B. Hume, and Miss Bunnell.

The nominating committee of the Home Club includes men, among them Mr. T. C. Coogan. Miss Ethel Moore has made a most successful president in the most trying year that comes to any club—it's first year. She has guided the club safely in its new experiment, and she is immensely popular with all the members. But she is not a bit anxious to be president, for she has many other things of interest. She is president also of the Social Settlement, a work that has developed along immensely satisfactory lines.

But the members of the Home Club are devoted to Miss Moore—she is so sincere, so very just in all her decisions, and if she listens to the sentiment of the Home Club, Miss Moore will be its president again.

One hears that in one or two of the other clubs there will be more than one ticket-in-the-field, which always

dairy which has been started by the Home Club.

The business meeting was followed by a luncheon served in the upstairs gallery of the club rooms. The members of the club and their guests were seated at tables, beautifully decorated and an interesting menu was served.

The Home Club has adopted one custom that ought to be widely copied. You are not supposed to enjoy your luncheon just with a little party of friends, your own special set. You will probably find yourself with some one else's friends, and as this is a "Home" club, you will promptly proceed to make yourself interesting, and to give them a good time. The members are at home, and they must behave as they would in their own homes. The worst phase of card parties as they were last winter, was that as soon as the last game was played, there was a mad rush for certain tables, and little cliques gathered together for refreshments, to the great mortification of those left out. Fancy being deserted at a table, and finding yourself sitting there all alone.

That would be quite impossible under the luncheon regime in the Home Club. And a good thing it is too—for a little clique or set represents a phase of selfishness quite unworthy of a well bred society woman.

At the luncheon on Thursday were Miss Ethel Moore, Mrs. John Tull, Mrs. T. C. Coogan, Mrs. Q. A. Chase, Mrs. Clarke Goddard, Mrs. M. M. Herkirk, Mrs. J. R. Scupham, Miss Mollie Conners, Mrs. Burchard, Mrs. W. S. Goodfellow, Mrs. Alice Chittenden, Mrs. Mark Requa, the Misses Powell, Miss Weissman, Mrs. R. H. Chamberlain, Mrs. E. B. Pond, Miss Elizabeth Gray, Mrs. George Gray, Miss Van Dyke, Dr. Buckel, Miss Sperry, Miss Marion Smith, Miss Evelyn Ellis, Miss Tillie Brown, Mrs. Charles Parcell, Mrs. Frank Parcell, Mrs. George W. Percy, Doctor Mary Ritter, Mrs. J. B. Richardson, Doctor Shuey, Mrs. Lloyd Rawlings, Mrs. F. M. Smith, Mrs. Charles Snook, Mrs. Gordon Stolp.

ARTISTIC DECORATIONS.

It is the day of beautiful and artistic decorations. In every function given now, the scheme of decoration is as artistically planned as is the menu. At the Home Club, on Thursday, the decorations were all exquisite white frosting and maiden hair fern, with a

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wreath of violets at each table. At the Ebell Club breakfast, the decorations were wild flowers, with great masses of splendid pussy willow—all suggestive of the spring so near at hand.

At the Oakland club the decorations were carried out on Washington Birth-day lines. The tables carried color effects in tiny American flags, and the candles were in red, white, and blue. The entire hall was elaborately decorated in red, white and blue bunting.

LUNCHEON AT OAKLAND CLUB.

The elaborate luncheons served at the Oakland Club are attracting general attention. Many guests are invited, and the most elaborate preparations are made. At the luncheon on Wednesday there were over a hundred and forty guests, and a luncheon, that was really a turkey dinner, was served under the direction of Hallahan, and that of course means its success. Among the hostesses, two of them looked unusually handsome—Mrs. Oscar Luning and Mrs. Joseph Mathews. Mrs. Luning wore a very handsome imported gown, and Mrs. Joseph Mathews was gowned in pale yellow, the corsage of the gown beautifully appliqued. Mrs. Harry Melvin was elaborately gowned, and Mrs. Walter Scott wore a gown of deep green velvet, set off with a wide hat in white effects.

MRS. PALMANTEER AT HOME.

Among the notable social affairs of next week, is the large reception to be given by Mrs. W. J. Palmanter, and her daughter, Miss Carolyn Palmanter. They have sent out a large number of invitations, and they receive their friends at their home on Fourteenth street, next Thursday afternoon. The hours of the "at home" are from three to six.

The Palmanters have a large number of friends, and the reception promises to be one of the most brilliant and most elaborate social affairs of the late season.

Mrs. Palmanter and her daughter will be assisted in receiving by Mrs. M. W. Kales, Mrs. Thomas Crelin, Mrs. Moyle Fox, Mrs. Edwin Taylor, Mrs. Paul Lohse, Mrs. Frederick Clift, Mrs. William H. Quinn, Mrs. John F. Conners, Mrs. D. R. Rae, Mrs. A. L. McPherson, Mrs. W. G. Klopp, Mrs. J. Young, Mrs. W. M. Hall, Mrs. J. Ireland, Mrs. Lowden, Miss Kales, Miss Mathews, Miss Letty Barry, Miss Jessie Craig, Miss Sims, Miss Louise Hall, Miss Fox, Miss Downey, Miss Elsie Everson, Miss Lilly Reed.

MISS BROWN WILL ENTERTAIN.

Miss Katherine Brown will entertain in the afternoon of the fourth of March, in honor of her friend, Miss Ruth Houghton. Miss Houghton is one of the interesting debutantes of the winter, and is going out a great deal, especially in San Francisco, under the chaperonage of her aunt, Miss Minnie Houghton.

Both Miss Katherine Brown and Miss Ruth Houghton have been going to the Assembly dances across the bay, and both have been very popular there.

Miss Brown is to entertain at her home in Alameda and her young girl friends are to play "500" during the afternoon. Miss Brown will be assisted in receiving her guests by Miss Ruth Houghton, Miss Anita Thomson, Miss Rose Kales, Lillie Reed, Bessie Haven, Eleanor Geisler and Minna Conger of Alameda.

CARDS FOR AN AT HOME.

Mrs. Bruce Hayden has sent out cards for a large tea to be given at her home on Madison street, on Friday, February twenty-fourth, from three until six.

The tea is in honor of Mrs. Reginald L. Foster, Mr. Hayden's daughter, who is here on a visit at the Hayden home.

Mrs. Foster's home is in New York, and she came to the coast recently, with Miss Savilla Hayden, who was her guest during the early part of the winter. Friends of the Hayden family will greatly enjoy meeting Mrs. Foster, and the tea promises to represent a delightful and informal gathering of friends.

MESSAGE FROM FRIENDS.

San Francisco notes these days bring many little interesting messages of people we know. A large circle of friends were much disappointed that Mrs. Stanford did not after all give the big tea for which she sent out so many cards, and for which elaborate preparations were being made. The tea was to be given for her young niece, Miss Lathrop, that she might meet the prominent young girls in social sets on both sides of the bay. Miss Ruth Houghton was to have been in the receiving party, and some of the girls of our own younger set were included in the guest list. They have been keeping their very best reception gowns for the event. But alas! the in-

vitations have been recalled, the big house across the bay has been closed, and Mrs. Stanford has gone sailing off to Honolulu, taking her niece with her. Mrs. Stanford has been ill, so her physician sent her to a warmer climate.

SEWARD MCNEARS CLOSE HOME.

The Seward McNears have closed their San Francisco home and are off for the Orient, taking with them, Miss Bessie McNear.

The Seward McNears formerly lived on this side of the bay, but of late years they have not been over here very often. They have a pretty home in Mill Valley for the summer, and a charming little home in San Francisco, where they spend the winter.

Miss Elizabeth McNear is a great traveler. She spent many months abroad, with Miss Elizabeth Sherman, and not long ago, with Miss Wilcox, she went to Honolulu. The McNears sailed on the Korea on Thursday, the steamer starting out in a heavy storm. Nevertheless, the travelers were accompanied on their way out the Golden Gate, by the tug "Golden Gate," carrying friends of the McNears.

Among them were all the McNears, the Henry Knowles, the Fred Magees, the McKees, Vail Bakewell and Paul Miller.

BRIDGE PARTIES OF WEEK.

Among the large "bridge" parties of the week was one given at the Hotel Cecil by Mrs. Williams. The decorations were elaborate, Mrs. Williams' apartments showing a magnificent oval or study in American Beauty roses.

Among the most effective costumes of the afternoon were those of Mrs. Dixwell Hewitt, formerly Miss Kate Clement, Mrs. Alexander Baldwin, who was Jessie Glascock, Mrs. Frederick English Magee, and Mrs. Charles Miner Cooper. The latter wore one of her very handsome trousseau gowns, an elaborate effect in white.

MISS KENT ENTERTAINED.

Miss Kathleen Kent also entertained at "bridge" this week, most of the guests being chosen from friends across the bay. The Kents, who lived for so many years on Jackson street, are comfortably established in a pretty home on Washington street in San Francisco, and they do not expect to return to Oakland.

AT HOME ACROSS BAY.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Smith, formerly Miss Merle Morrison are comfortably established in a pretty home across the bay, and expect to make their home permanently over there.

Many friends received cards this week, announcing Mrs. Smith's days at home, for the first and second Fridays.

WILLIAMSONS TO BUILD.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Williamson are planning to build a beautiful home on the heights overlooking the bay and the Presidio. They are now in San Francisco, and will reside there permanently.

The home which they occupied at Linda Vista, has been taken by Mr. and Mrs. William Gardner Cooke.

MARDI GRAS FETE.

The Mardi Gras fete is almost at hand, and many parties are being planned, for our one notable masquerade of the year.

The Mardi Gras is quite the thing in fashionable circles across the bay—everybody goes, and there are elaborate dinners beforehand, the guests adjoining later to the famous dance.

One of the largest and most elaborate of the Mardi Gras dinners is being planned by Mrs. H. M. A. Miller. Mrs. Miller and her guests will later be part of the merry Mardi Gras throng.

HICKMANS TO GIVE A DANCE.

One of the big dances of the week is set for Friday, and it will be given by the Hickmans, in the nature of a house-warming, for their lovely new home in Sausalito.

Over two hundred invitations have been sent out, and all the prominent families of the "Lakeside District" have been remembered. Most of them were friends of the Hickmans when the family lived in the large residence at the foot of Madison street.

The Hickmans lived very quietly after the sad passing of Miss Lida Hickman. They went abroad, and are only just now beginning to entertain in their own hospitable way.

The big house at Sausalito includes a large ball room. Elaborate preparations have been made for the entertainment of guests, and there is to be a large house party.

DRISCOLL-BACON WEDDING.

The Driscoll-Bacon wedding is set for next Tuesday at half past ten in the old Mission Church at Santa Barbara. Archbishop Riordan and Rev. Father McSweeney have been for some

days at San Diego and His Grace, the Archbishop, will come up to Santa Barbara for the wedding.

The attendants at the wedding are mostly from Oakland. Miss Cornell Kempf, Miss Katherine Kutz and Miss Eleanor Phelps will leave for Santa Barbara, Saturday morning. Mr. James K. Moffit will also go to Santa Barbara, to be one of the groom's attendants.

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The lecture on the French Revolution, to have been given on Wednesday afternoon, by Professor Morse Stephens did not come off. Word was sent early in the day, that the good Professor had lost his voice, so of course the lecture was off. It is hoped he may find it in the near future, for the series of lectures is the most interesting and the most fascinating that have been given here in many months.

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Among the ladies deeply interested in the success of the bazaar are Mrs. A. L. White, Miss Florence White, Mrs. Carson Shaw, Mrs. Harrold, Miss Harrold, Mrs. Harry Melvin, Mrs. William Angus. The Albrights and Mrs. Howard Bray will be much missed this year. Mrs. Albright and Miss Violet Albright are in New York and Mrs. Howard Bray is in mourning for the late Mrs. Bray.

BENJAMINS BUY A HOME.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Benjamin have recently purchased the spacious home on the corner of Eighth and Linden streets. Mrs. Benjamin is planning to give the children a party on Saturday, in the large attic of the new home.

It will be a house warming, and Mrs. Benjamin and Miss Edith Benjamin will entertain their young guests with dancing and other amusements.

Those who are to be present are: Miss Carrie Clark, Miss Elsa Lange, Miss Emily Gray, Miss Maud Maxxon, Miss Katherine Gray, Miss Edith Bolton, Miss Helen Bassett, Miss Margaret Bassett, Miss Ruth Stark, Miss Beth Stark, Miss Helen Bon, Miss Clair Bon, Miss Winnie Meredith, Miss George Meredith, Miss Margaret Moore, Miss Carmelita Cuvelier, Master Frank Harrison, Master Baldwin Gray, Master Dallibet Thomson, Master Fred Nelson, Master Robert Stuart, Master Oscar Hinck, Master Hewlett Benjamin, Miss Edith Benjamin.

WILL EDIT A NEWSPAPER.

Club members smile when you mention the reception to be given on next Tuesday, at the Ebell club rooms, by the members of the Current Events section.

They are to edit a real live newspaper, which "goes to press" at three o'clock. There is to be a real editor's den, and Mrs. L. F. Cockcroft is to be the busy editor.

I wonder if she will be as cross at press time, as real editors usually are!

WEDDING OF MR. KROLL.

One of the most truly notable events of next week will be the wedding of Mr. Clifton Kroll and Miss Elma Farnham, which is to take place at the Farnham residence on Fourteenth street, next Tuesday evening.

The ceremony will be performed by Right Rev. Bishop Nicholls, assisted by Rev. Mr. Gee, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church. The ceremony will be witnessed only by the relatives, but after the ceremony there will be one of the largest and most elaborate wedding receptions of the season.

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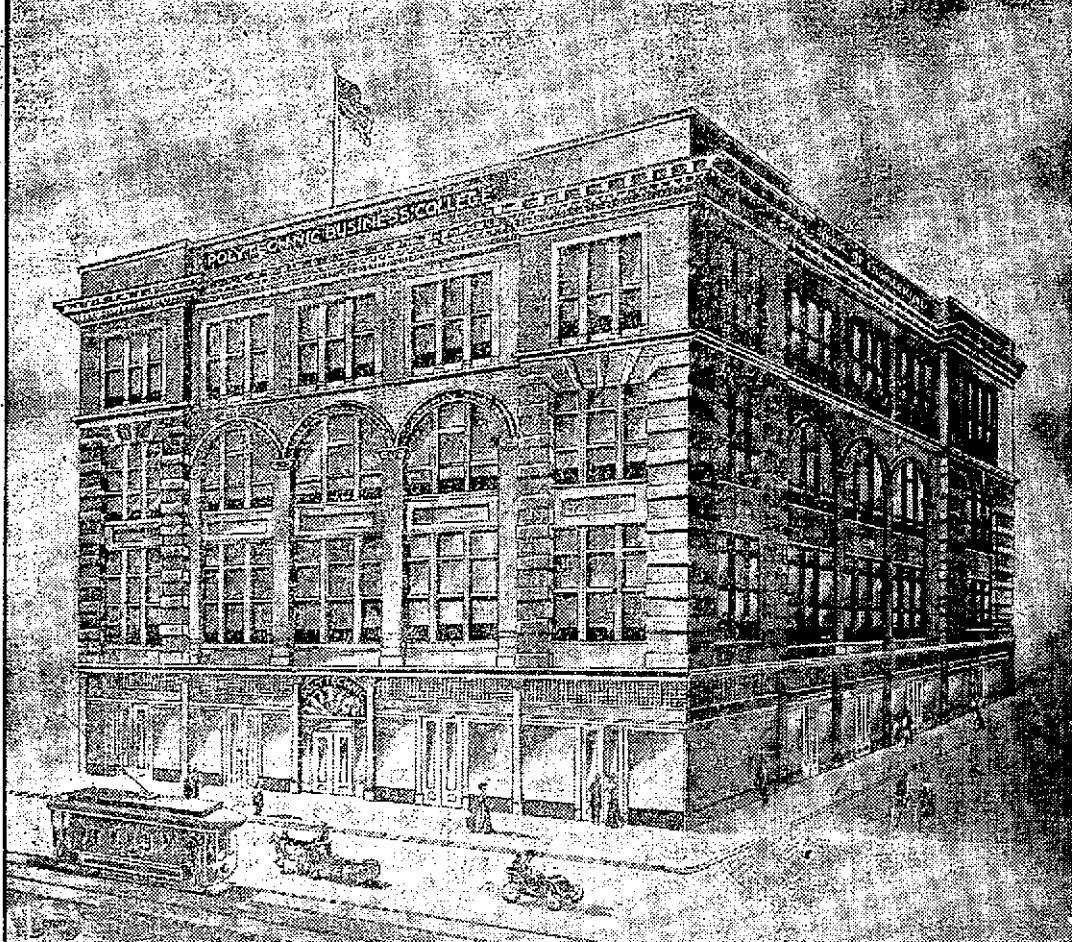
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REPUBLICANS PLAN TO HOLD MEETINGS

Campaign Will be Made in Wards
and Then a Big Rally Will be
Held at Dewey Theater.

Lively meetings in all the wards Leach, candidate for the office of City Attorney, were also present during the evening.

The matter of holding one big mass-meeting near the end of the campaign occupied the main part of the attention of the committee. No definite date was decided upon for this meeting, but the evening most favored was March 10. This will be the Friday evening before the election which will be held on Tuesday, March 14. For this rally it is the intention of the committee to procure some speaker of recognized ability and thus make the

meeting worth the attendance of every voter in the city. Among those mentioned as good speakers for the occasion are Sam Shortridge, D. E. McKinley and United States Senator-elect Frank P. Flint. The first named will probably be the one selected.

The other meetings of the campaign will be held in the various wards. In the First and Seventh wards there will be two held and at least one in each of the others. Those dated for the coming week are to be held as follows:

February 22—First ward, Pezzola hall, Telegraph avenue and Forty-second street.

February 23—Four ward, Alcatraz hall, 861 Perla street.

A communication was received last night from the West End Colored Republican Club, asking the committee to recognize the club's organ in the placing of its advertisements. The club stated that it contained 300 votes and that its influence was very great in the Fourth and Sixth wards. The matter was referred to the Press Committee. That committee was also authorized to place the advertisement of the ticket in the local papers.

The next meeting of the committee will be held next Tuesday night.

SHOP AND YARD

NOTES

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM S. P. YARDS AT WEST OAKLAND.

WEST OAKLAND YARDS, Feb. 18. The turntable in the Roundhouse was given an overhauling yesterday and all the locomotives were taken out into the yard, where the work upon them was continued. There is at present a large number of engines out of commission and a large force of men are kept constantly busy getting them in shape again.

WORK ON SOLANO.

The work of repairing and refitting the Solano at the new marine walks is progressing rapidly. A night crew of twenty men or more is now employed and work is carried on at night by electric light as well as during the day.

BIG ENGINE ARRIVES.

A large Hedgeswood engine used in unloading gravel trains arrived yesterday from Lucien cutoff, Salt Lake, and was immediately taken to Port Costa, where a side-line is being put in.

FOREMAN RETURNS.

Thomas Reichert, the boiler maker, has recovered from his illness and is once more at his post. He was sick for a week.

CAR REPAIRING.

The car repairing department is still very busy and a full force of men is at work. Cars of all sorts are undergoing repairs, from Pullmans to

A LUNCHEON.

Miss Georgia Cope was lost this afternoon at an enjoyable luncheon given to the participants in "The Little Tycoon." After the luncheon a pleasant hour was spent arranging her final details for the production.

Pulpit and Pew

Themes of the Local Pastors for Tomorrow

Special revival services are being held in some of the local churches and tomorrow many of the pastors will speak on subjects pertaining to the great evangelistic meeting to be held in Oakland.

Following will be found the subjects for tomorrow's worship:

METHODIST.

First M. E. Church—Rev. E. R. Dille, pastor. Morning, Rev. Dr. Willis of San Francisco, will preach. Evening, the pastor will preach. Subject, "A Fatal Mistake." Prelude, "The Espey Bill to Suppress Race-track Gambling."

Eight Avenue M. E. Church—Owen Hotte, pastor. 11 a. m. Rev. E. R. Dille, D.D., pastor of the First M. E. Church, will preach Sunday morning.

7:30 year young men of the University of California will hold a platform meeting in this church.

Thirty-fourth Street Methodist Episcopal Church—Ansley B. Blades, pastor. Morning, "Sin—A Universal Curse." Evening, "Salvation for All."

Golden Gate M. E. Church—Corner Fifth Street and Park Street San Francisco. Rev. Fred. W. Hart, pastor, will preach morning and evening upon the following subjects respectively, "The Sleeping Christ," and "Men in Hiding." Evening, Avenue M. E. Church, South Corner Thirty-fourth and Elm streets, Rev. A. M. Shaw, pastor. Preaching Sunday, 11 a. m., subject, "Spiritual Weather." 7:45 p. m., subject, "In Quest of Earth's Greatest Good." Sunday evening, Emporium, 11 a. m. Rev. W. C. Clegg, pastor, will entertain the "Bay League Alliance" in the League room, Friday evening, February 24.

REFORMED CHURCH—Rev. W. H. Clegg, pastor. "The Friend of Sinners," a Gospel sermon.

Welsh Presbyterian Church—Thirteenth and Harrison streets. The Rev. Vincent Jones, pastor of the Welsh Church at Seattle, will preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Special music.

The Sunday School of the Union Street Church is arranging a treat for its friends in the shape of a tea party. Children will receive a new dress to be given by Mr. Woodberry on Wednesday evening, February 22, at the substitute company meeting.

First Presbyterian Church—Rev. E. E. Baker, D. D., pastor. Morning, "Promises of Christianity" evening, "The Friend of Sinners," a Gospel sermon.

Centennial Presbyterian Church—Twenty-fourth avenue and East Seventeenth street, Rev. J. C. Stone, pastor. Morning subject, "An Acceptable Time" evening, "The Withered at Bethesda."

CONGREGATIONAL.

Second Church—Rev. H. F. Burges, pastor. Morning, "Rich and Self-Reliant Fools." Evening, "Atheistic and Procrastinating Fools."

Fourth Congregational Church—Rev. Frederic H. Maier, pastor. Morning subject, "Oakland's Task and Duty." Evening, "Self Deception."

Plum Street Congregational Church—R. C. Brooks, pastor, 11 a. m. "The Christian Conflict." 7:30, "The Problem of Success and Failure."

First Congregational Church—Rev. Chas. R. Brown, pastor. Morning, "The Power of Integrity" evening, "The Modern Underworld."

Market Street Congregational Church—Rev. Wm. Smith, pastor. Service tomorrow at 11 a. m., subject, "God is Spirit." Topic for Christian Endeavor service at 6 p. m., "Glorifying God in Our Homes."

UNITARIAN.

William M. Jones, minister. Public services at 11 a. m.; Sunday school at 12:15. Sermon subject, "Experiencing Religion."

EPISCOPAL.

St. And. C. Church—Corner of Twelfth and Magnolia. Celebration of holy communion, 7:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 8:45 a. m.; morning prayer, ante-communion and sermon, "The True Witness of Christ," 11 a. m.; evensong and sermon, "What Shall We Have?" 7:30 p. m.; rector's Bible class, 6:45 p. m.; Friday evening the Feast of St. Matthias there will be a celebration of the holy communion at 10:30 a. m.

St. Paul's Church—Chumash and Harrison streets. The Rector will preach at 11 a. m. on "The Lord's Day." Also at 7:30 on "The Power of Attention." The male choir will sing special music at evening service.

St. John's Church, Eighth and Grove streets—Rev. E. H. Gee, rector. Celebration of holy communion, 7:45 a. m.; Sunday school, 8:30 a. m.; choral litany, 10:30 a. m.; holy communion and sermon, 11 a. m.; choral evensong and sermon, 7:30 p. m.

CHRISTIAN.

First Christian—Rev. Thomas A. Boyer, pastor. Morning, "Life in the Arena." Evening, "The Next Great Awakening: What Will it Be, Socialism or Christianity?" Special music by chorus choir.

BAPTIST.

Tenth Avenue Baptist Church—Tenth avenue and East Fourteenth streets. Pastor's subjects: 11 a. m., "Confessing Christ"; 7:30 p. m., "Will Any Soul Be Finally Lost?"

Calvary Baptist—Rev. W. H. Chapman will preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning, "Jesus"; evening, "How to Be Saved."

First Baptist Church, H. T. Vossburg, pastor. Morning, "In the Temple of Right." 7:30 p. m., Oratorio of Elijah, part 1, by augmented choir; Address, "Elijah and Abah: Is Religion a National Nuisance?"

NORWEGIAN-DANISH.

Norwegian-Danish, M. E. Church—574 Twenty-fifth street, near San Pablo avenue. E. J. Lundsgaard, pastor. Sunday school at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Subject, "Christ Jesus." Sunday school, 12:30. Wednesday evening meeting, 7:45.

SCIENTIST.

First Church of Christ, Scientist—Franklin and Seventeenth streets. Services at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Subject, "Christ Jesus." Sunday school, 12:30. Wednesday evening meeting, 7:45.

CHURCH OF THE NAZERINE.

The special revival services will be continued on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock and every night during the week except Saturday. There will be bright singing, earnest gospel messages and testimonies, and a cordial invitation is extended to all to be present.

NEW THOUGHT.

The First New Thought Society of

FAKE HAIR PREPARATIONS.

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Many hair preparations are "fake" because they are merely scalp irritants. They often cause a dryness, making the hair brittle, and, finally, lifeless. Dandruff is the cause of all trouble with the hair.

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RESKLESS MARRIAGE.

HELENA, Mont., February 18.

The lower branch of the Legislature has passed a bill whose purpose is the restriction of recklessness and ill-advised marrying.

Excepting in the case of

innocent party to a divorce suit

brought on the ground of adultery persons are forbidden to marry again,

but the provisions of the bill do not

prevent the parties to the action for a divorce from remarrying each other at any time.

Oakland meets Sunday morning at 11 a. m. at 1006 Webster street. Subject, "Why B. Fay Mills Changed His Religious Beliefs." Welcome to all. Other meetings, 1 and 7 p. m.

Henry Harrison Brown, editor of the New Thought Federation, will lecture next Sunday at 3 o'clock in Ben Hur Temple, on Broadway, near Eleventh street. We expect Mr. Foulds, the number reader, to be present. Subject, "One Universe, One Soul, One Law."

MISCELLANEOUS.

Zion's German Evangelical Lutheran Church—Rev. J. J. Schaefer, pastor. At 11 a. m., subject, "The Labor in the Vineyard." Evening, 7:30 o'clock, "Eternal Loss and Gain."

Brethren Gospel Hall, 1064 Market street, near Twelfth. Donald Monroe, soloist, of New Haven, Conn., will give an address to Christians at 3 p. m. and preach the gospel at 7:30 p. m.

Church of the New Thought, according to the Science of Being—Maple Hall, corner of Fourteenth and Webster streets. Service every Sunday at 11 a. m. Subject, "Natural Limitations." Seats free; everybody welcome.

Mrs. S. J. Walker, pastor.

Theosophical Society—Hamilton Hall Building, corner of Thirteenth and Jefferson streets. Sunday, 11 a. m., "The Union of the Spiritual Sciences," by Frederick M. Willis of San Francisco, subject, "The Mystery of the Self."

Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints—Magnolia and Sixteenth streets. Service every Sunday at 11 a. m. Subject, "The Problem of Success and Failure."

First Free Baptist Church—Twenty-first street, between San Pablo avenue and Brush street—Preaching morning and evening upon the subject, "God Not of This World." Pastor, William Robert Roud.

Union Spiritual Society will hold regular services in Fraternal Hall, Fourteenth and Washington streets. Sunday, the 22d, at 11 a. m., "The Advantages of the Nineteenth Century." Physical delusions follow. At 8 p. m., H. W. Anderson will address us on "The Pitfalls of Journalism" and "Literature." Messages will be delivered by Mrs. Annie Gordan, Mrs. E. W. Knott and Mrs. Gordon.

First Spiritual Church of Oakland holds services every Sunday evening, at 8 o'clock, in Unity Hall, 8858 Isabella street. Good lectures by prominent speakers and free admission.

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Watches' meeting—Mrs. Louis M. Clegg, widow, returning missionary from Turkey, will preach at Adelphi Hall, 666 Ninth street, tomorrow, at 3 p. m.

Advent Christian Church—Thirty-third street, near West—10 a. m. Sunday School; 11 a. m., Mrs. Elmer C. French, pastor. Evening, "The Problem of Success and Failure."

Plum Street Congregational Church—R. C. Brooks, pastor, 11 a. m., "The Christian Conflict." 7:30, "The Problem of Success and Failure."

First Congregational Church—Rev. Chas. R. Brown, pastor. Morning, "The Power of Integrity" evening, "The Modern Underworld."

Market Street Congregational Church—Rev. Wm. Smith, pastor. Service tomorrow at 11 a. m., subject, "God is Spirit." Topic for Christian Endeavor service at 6 p. m., "Glorifying God in Our Homes."

UNITARIAN.

William M. Jones, minister. Public services at 11 a. m.; Sunday school at 12:15. Sermon subject, "Experiencing Religion."

EPISCOPAL.

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SAN FRANCISCO

MAYOR OLNEY DEFENDS BAY CITIES PROPOSITION.

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It is a notorious fact that the salaries and perquisites of the managers of such corporations are extravagantly large. Then when you consider that the city, dependent on a private corporation, must pay such a water rate as to give dividends to the stockholders and pay the operating expenses, you will see that there is every incentive to make the operating expenses as great as possible. We have an illustration of that fact at the present time. Few employees are necessary in running a municipal water plant, but so long as the managers of a water company have a right to make expenditures and call them operating expenses and the city has to foot the bill, there is practically no restraint upon waste and extravagance.

There are two items, therefore, viz: interest on the money invested and the needless use of people's money, that have been eliminated in those cities that own their own municipal water plant. Therefore we can safely assume that after our plant is installed our taxes will be lessened, our water rates will be decreased, and that year by year we are acquiring through the sinking fund a valuable property. We have an illustration of that fact at the present time. Few employees are necessary in running a municipal water plant, but so long as the managers of a water company have a right to make expenditures and call them operating expenses and the city has to foot the bill, there is practically no restraint upon waste and extravagance.

SOUND BUSINESS POLICY.

"Oakland is growing by leaps and bounds. The same is true of Berkeley, and to a lesser extent of Alameda. These three cities must inevitably become one and consolidated into one city. The present supply of the Contra Costa Water Company is barely adequate for their needs at the present time. We must look forward to the time when in the near future there will be 250,000 people needing water within the boundaries of these present three cities. Where is it to come from? If we do not avail ourselves of this opportunity to get the flood waters of Isabel and Del Valle Creeks, there is no sufficient source of supply this side of the Sierras. If we let this opportunity slip, in ten years from now we shall be much worse off than we are at present. We will obtain this supply of twenty million gallons a day at a cost of a quarter of a million dollars a day, or about \$75,000 a day. This is a question of a short time when these three cities will need, in addition, such water supply as the Contra Costa Water Company can furnish us. If we let the opportunity to get the supply from these creeks from the Mt. Hamilton range go by our condition will be deplorable, for that supply will be taken to the city of San Francisco. We should not hesitate, put close with the Bay Cities Water Company.

"This should be done in the line of prudent forethought and sound business policy. At the present time you cannot buy the Contra Costa Water

Company for less than seven millions of dollars. You don't know that we can buy it for that. If we install an independent plant of our own the competition with the Contra Costa Water Company, about which so much has been said, will force that company to sell at a fair figure. You can, therefore, by wise business policy, purchase both the supply of the Bay Cities Water Company from Isabel and Del Valle Creeks and the Contra Costa Water Company's supply for seven or eight millions of dollars. In other words, if you let this opportunity go by you will be compelled to pay a high price for water, and the Contra Costa Water Company's plant as you need to pay, if you exercise sound business forethought for both the Bay Cities Water Company plant and the Contra Costa Water Company plant.

"I would not do any injustice to the stockholders of the Contra Costa Water Company, but I would not be forced by the managers of that company to pay more than the property is really worth. Paying what that property is really worth, in time to get both the Bay Cities Water Company's plant and the Contra Costa Water Company's plant for between seven and eight million dollars, say, eight million at the outside, and do no real injustice to the stockholders of the Contra Costa Water Company.

"I close as I began—the city government during the last two years has done its best to solve the water problem. A plan has been devised that, in my opinion, fully solves the difficulty. It is presented to you for your action. Every voter who has the interests of the city at heart should carefully investigate the question and go to the polls on the eleventh of March determined to cast his ballot in such a way as shall best enhance the interests of the city of his home."

WARREN OLNEY.

Name of New Citizen Does Not Slight Alphabet.

Haralambos Konstantinos Vodenitscharoff was made a citizen of the United States this morning by the grace of Judge Ellsworth.

The recruit is a native of Turkey and Deputy Consul. Clerk Andy Johnston informed his pen in trying to write the name.

He however has a forewarning allegiance to land of the star and crescent and has promised to uphold the constitution of the United States and become a good citizen.

PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Palmer and Miss C. H. Hooper are visiting in San Diego.

H. N. Taylor, manager of Ingram Hardware Company's branch store at Adeline street and San Pablo avenue, was a recent visitor to Hollister.

C. L. Irwin, of the U. S. A., deputy state commander of the K. O. T. C. M., was in Santa Cruz the first of this week.

H. Domonkos has returned to Wilmot.

W. T. Harris was in Hollister recently looking after property interests.

G. N. Blackburn was a recent visitor to Woodland.

Mrs. W. C. Edes was in Point Richmond recently visiting Mrs. R. G. Stitt.

Mrs. J. M. Cousins was recent visitor in Marin.

Harold Johnson visited friends in Selma recently.

J. G. Spence of Alameda is in Watsonville.

Miss Marie Cole visited friends in Sausalito last week.

Miss Grace Smith is in Santa Rosa visiting Mrs. G. E. Patterson at the latter's home on Second and Davis street.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Mollen are visiting in Santa Cruz.

W. H. B. Mowford has been visiting Mrs. B. F. Hall at San Jose.

H. G. Fairweather is looking after business interests at Salinas.

J. Scott was in Petaluma recently visiting his daughter.

Mrs. Charles Farnham and two children have returned from Oroville, where they had gone to attend the funeral of the late E. P. Farnham.

F. O. Angel is visiting in Santa Cruz.

L. F. Ward is a guest at the Grand Central Hotel.

Miss Durken of Berkeley was in Sunnyside recently visiting Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Bailey.

LINDA VISTA CLUB.

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SHALL OAKLAND ISSUE
WATER BONDS?

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T. L. BARKER IS AGAINST
BAY CITIES PLANSays it Will be a Sorry Day For the
People if They Vote \$6,000,000
Water Bonds.

Former City Councilman T. L. Barker, a veritable Nestor of this community, continues among us here and hearty. He is, as he says, of "the old guard" of '49ers. Daily he may be seen crossing the bay to and from his place of business and home, just as he has done ever since Oakland was in its village proportions. Several years ago, after much of his time had been freely given to the public, and after his counsel had long been heard in local civic affairs, Mr. Barker concluded to retire from active participation therein. He has lived to see nearly all those who were associated with him in local legislation, pass away. Calmly, and without a particle of self-interest or feeling, he can now discuss matters of interest to those of the succeeding generations. From this citizen of long experience, this Nestor in Oakland's civic progress for more than forty years, an expression of opinion was sought on the subject of water supply with reference to the bond election soon to occur. His views will be found in the following communication:

Editor TRIBUNE: Several years ago I retired from active participation in local public affairs except to vote at all elections. But in all the years of my long residence in Oakland I have kept pretty well informed on the subject of water supply. Now we have presented for our consideration a proposal to issue some \$6,000,000 of municipal bonds for the procurement of an alleged municipal water supply to be furnished by the Bay Cities Company.

Personally, having reached that stage of life where expectancy of years is brief, I have slight concern as to the outcome of such voting and its inevitable succeeding litigation. But those who continue on here in Oakland will feel concerned hereafter should they vote to place a debt of \$6,000,000 on the city for this offered water supply.

Some twelve or fifteen years ago, at a meeting of citizens and City Councilmen at the City Hall to discuss water supply, I said: "Suppose you do pay \$4,500,000 for the Contra Costa Water Company, which is more than you say it is worth, you will still be making a good investment."

I submit that my suggestion made then was sound and that history has proved it correct. In the intervening years this city could have avoided an immense amount of costly litigation; could have had water for street sprinkling, parks, schools, fire extinguishment, fire houses and all other municipal uses free of charge; the plant would have been paid for and, in all probability, rates would now be lower than those charged.

A similar suggestion at this time, raising the figures some, would be equally good. If anybody interested cared to make it. As I have said, I have retired from action in local affairs, except to vote, and I pass it up to somebody else.

I am a believer in municipal ownership and think that Oakland will find a way to get a plant of her own. A step in the wrong direction would be, however, to do an unbusiness-like thing and buy a lot of plans on paper, a water plant that is only in the future and the certainty of endless litigation. This seems to be the chief recommendation of the Bay Cities water proposition. By buying the Contra Costa Water Company at a reasonable figure the city would be able to start in business with a clean sheet.

W. G. LATTIMER,
Secretary Excelsior Laundry Company.

Editor TRIBUNE: I shall have reached the seventy-seventh anniversary of my birth if I live until next month, and in the course of nature the distant future of this beautiful city can affect me not at all a few years hence. Nevertheless, I now should be very sorry to see the voters decide to enter into the proposed contract with the Bay Cities Company, involving as it will at least \$6,000,000. But much more sorry than I can feel will be the feelings of the people of this city in years to come if they now vote to obligate the city to pay such a debt under the conditions attached.

Still there is no knowing how the voters of Oakland may decide any question submitted to them at the ballot box. For forty years they took taxes from those claiming the water front, then \$46. "You don't own it." Litigation followed, thousands of dollars have been expended in fees and the end is not yet. More recently litigation has been going on between the City of Oakland and the Contra Costa Water Company. Almost four years ago a decision was rendered in the Superior Court of this county. The Council decided to appeal. What has become of that appeal? Is the case any nearer a decision in the Supreme Court than a year ago? Yet more

mento, through whom the Contra Costa Water Company saddled upon this city a valuation upon its plant for rate-making purposes, of seven millions of dollars.

That was Geo. F. Neese, merchant, of 1236 Broadway, and he deserves to be cut in alabaster and placed upon the coping of the new \$250,000 block of the Contra Costa Water Company, for which the people have paid, or to be hung in effigy, I am not sure which.

Hardly has there been anything in the career of the Contra Costa Water Company in Oakland, notwithstanding the harm that it has done to us at various times, that stirred the people at the time it was made with a more profound sense of indignation than did the Elart decision. It was the quintessence of boldness on the part of the Contra Costa to assert at the time that its property had any such valuation as seven millions of dollars, and when we affirmatively learned that such valuation had been actually pronounced by the court, we were aghast. Such citizens as Mr. Neese would sell the city for a mess of potage, if their particular interest could, in any superior manner, be subserved thereby. Let us hope that his statement was merely rash and thoughtless, which he will regret and gladly withdraw when he comes to know more about the nature and merit of the Bay Cities proposition.

The adoption of that plant will start in furnishing water at about one-third less than we now pay and will save the city twenty-six millions of dollars for the next forty years, figur-

ing on the basis of rates now paid, and at the end of that time it will have the plant paid for, and water provided at the minimum of cost. I consider it a most interesting fact that the city can actually buy a plant of its own and pay for it on installments as the years roll on, and yet start in with giving water one-third less than we get it now and have a decrease in rates every year thereafter—a first-class new plant with twice the water we are getting now, every feature of it just as desirable as could be asked. The city has certainly a great opportunity on this bond proposition, and if the people are not awakened to it now, they will never get another chance like it. Yours truly,

W. J. BRITTON,
Past President Craft Workers' Union, 886 Lydia street, Oakland, Cal.

BUY A WATER
PLANT ON PAPER

W. G. LATTIMER SAYS THAT IS
WAY SCHEME LOOKS TO
HIM.

Editor TRIBUNE: While I have no particular friendliness for the Contra Costa Water Company, still this will not deter me from exercising my judgment in the matter of bonding the city for nearly \$6,000,000. It would be foolish to let any prejudice on the part of the people sway them in the matter of purchasing a water plant. It would not be reasonable to jump at the first water proposition just because we wish to get rid of the present company.

I am a believer in municipal ownership and think that Oakland will find a way to get a plant of her own. A step in the wrong direction would be, however, to do an unbusiness-like thing and buy a lot of plans on paper, a water plant that is only in the future and the certainty of endless litigation.

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MAKES A REPLY
TO DR. BALDWIN

ADVOCATE OF BAY CITIES DIS-
CUSSES THE TAX
RATE.

Editor TRIBUNE: I would like to inform Dr. R. O. Baldwin of 1115 Broadway, who writes an article in THE TRIBUNE of February 9th, that the tax rate of the city of Oakland is not \$2.89 on a \$100 valuation, as he states, but it is \$1.26 on a \$100 valuation. And that if the Bay Cities plant furnish water to Oakland entirely free, not a person paying a penny for water, tax rates would not be increased to \$3.60 per \$100, as he states will be the case if the Bay Cities plant began even furnishing water to the people, charging water rates therefor, but would be at the outside but about \$2.01 per \$100. The fact is, that with the Bay Cities plant in operation water rates the first year would be reduced upwards of 33 1/3 per cent from the present rate, and the tax rates will not be increased. There is no doubt whatever that all the people would take water from the municipal plant, and the Contra Costa would not be a competitor in the field. The water of the Bay Cities would be much more pure than the filtered water of the Contra Costa Water Company, and there would be no scarcity of water, so that the people could have all that they might need for any purpose. We would then have parks and sprinkled streets galore. So that as a matter of preference the people would rather take water from the municipal plant than from the Contra Costa. But the important thing is that by reason of the way the municipal plant would be put in, such being through municipal improvement bonds for the payment of which the taxpayers are responsible, every taxpayer, and the water consumers are all taxpayers, either immediately themselves or through their tenants, would be compelled to take water from the municipal plant in order to save increase in taxes. Consequently every single person in Oakland paying taxes to the city would see that his property took water from the municipal plant.

I want to say also, that whatever litigation there might be over the Bay Cities properties, would affect Oakland just about as much as it is now affected by the war between Japan and Russia. It would be a matter with which we have nothing to do. Who ever may care to fight the Bay Cities on the score of their water would never stop the Bay Cities delivering

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water or building the plant. No one in Oakland or elsewhere who has given this matter a moment's thought has any real idea that there is the slightest defect in the titles of the Bay Cities Water Company to its lands or its waters. That company has spent millions of dollars in their properties; and they have done so through the advice and guidance of the best legal talent the city can afford, and from what I can understand about all of the best of such talent, for they seem to have the titles passed upon by a dozen high-priced lawyers. It is sheer folly to talk about their titles not being good, or their not being able to deliver what they contract to deliver to Oakland, and give bonds in any sum demanded that they will deliver, or that either the work of building the plant or delivering the waters would be delayed a day through any such law suits.

As for "hundreds of men being thrown out of employment, etc." that is sheer nonsense. If building this new municipal plant there would have to be spent upwards of two millions of dollars in Oakland, and it would be all new money brought into town from the outside. People by hundreds here would find employment, and business would be awakened accordingly. And on the other hand, the Contra Costa Water Company, which Dr. Baldwin defends, is taking a million dollars a year out of this community and sending it away chiefly to foreign bondholders and stockholders. Even Mr. Dingee, with his \$25,000 a year salary, builds his palatial mansion in San Francisco and spends his Oakland money on that side of the bay. I command Dr. Baldwin to a further reading of this subject before he again seeks the public to present his views.

H. COHEN,
Local Rattan Co., 570 San Pablo avenue.

Oakland, Cal., February 17th, 1905.

Editor TRIBUNE: While I am not vain enough to imagine that anybody will care to know my views on the proposed water bond matter, I will say that it has all the ear-marks of the forerunner of a first-class scrap in the courts.

Mr. Tevis, who is behind the Bay Cities Company, is many times a millionaire, and if there is one thing he loves more than another it is a water fight. He has been promised it by Spring Valley Water Works if he tries to sell any of the water to Oakland, which the Bay Cities Company offers for the \$5,700,000 bonds we are asked to issue.

Personally, I think if we do vote the bonds, that no middle-aged person now alive in Oakland will live to see the end of the litigation which will result.

A better plan, in my estimation, would be to vote bonds to buy out the Contra Costa Water Company, even though we had to pay \$1,000,000 more than it is at present reasonably worth.

I believe that the Contra Costa plant has a prospective value which this city may take into consideration.

Year after year as the population increases there will be more and more consumers and ratepayers. Besides, the plant will pay from the day it is converted to municipal ownership and every dollar it takes from the ratepayers will be returned to them indirectly by paying off the bonds they have issued to purchase the plant.

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Removal of Chief Wittman Cause of Much Gossip and Speculation.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 18.—The removal of Chief of Police Wittman by the Schmitz Board of Police Commissioners was delayed a month by the bungling of the Grand Jury.

The Mayor decided that Wittman had to be ejected from office over a year ago and he communicated his wishes to the members of the Police Commission, but they flatly refused to drop the Chief.

At that time the Board of Police Commissioners was composed of George Newhall, Josiah Howell, Harry Hutton and D. I. Mahoney. Howell and Newhall had been placed upon the Commission by former Mayor James D. Phelan, and as Wittman had been made Chief of Police by Phelan, they felt it their duty to retain him in office. Mr. Hutton, who was appointed by Schmitz, was supposed to be loyal to the administration. However, he was secretly in league with Newhall and Howell to retain Wittman in office.

The Mayor found it necessary to drop Hutton from the Board of Police Commissioners in order to oust the Chief. At first Hutton tried to make a combination with Reagan for the blocking of Schmitz' plans for the removal of Wittman. Nobody knows exactly how strong was this combination between Hutton and Reagan, but the Mayor figured that it was too strong for him and so Hutton was cast aside.

About two months ago the Grand Jury caused stories to be printed in newspapers to the effect that Sergeant of Police Ellis confessed that he had been given secret orders by Chief Wittman to protect Chinese gamblers. Subsequent evidence proved that these stories that the Grand Jury caused to be printed were utterly without foundation. The Grand Jury also gave publicity to alleged statements of Sergeant Ellis to the effect that he had been instructed to go to Chan Cheung, the handler of the Chinese corruption fund in St. Louis Alley, to get from him a weekly bribe by Sergeant of Police Christiansen.

While testifying before the Board of Police Commissioners under oath four nights ago, Sergeant Ellis stated that he had never mentioned Christiansen's name to the Grand Jurors.

Well, it was because of the hubub created by these Grand Jury stories that Schmitz refused to dismiss Wittman. He stated that he knew personally that there was practically no foundation for these articles and was quite aware of the plan of the Grand Jury and the people manipulating it to force him to dismiss Wittman and then take all the glory. So Schmitz refused to seriously consider the Grand Jury's romances and waited until that body filed its report upon police corruption before he took action.

In that report the Grand Jury admitted that it had no evidence whatever against Wittman, and that it simply had secured a confession from Sergeant Ellis of his own individual guilt.

The political allies of James D. Phelan are now doing everything in their power to convince the public that Chief Wittman is the tool of the present administration. As a matter of fact Wittman has always been against the present administration and the administration has always been against Wittman. The bitterest enemies of the chief are relatives of the Mayor. Schmitz has never stood for Wittman personally or officially. As a Labor Union Mayor he could not possibly countenance the actions of Wittman during the teamster's strike. It was the manner in which Wittman carried out Phelan's instructions during that unfortunate struggle between labor and capital that ended the public life of Phelan.

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The removal of Wittman is the biggest thing that Schmitz has done and it certainly is a move in the right direction. Wittman has been involved in scandals ever since he joined the department. Years ago he was accused of holding up unfortunate women, and an effort was then made to dismiss him. Judge Conlan was the feature of the prosecution. While the evidence against Wittman looked very bad, he managed to beat the case and shortly afterwards was promoted.

During his term as Chief he was openly charged with protecting Chinese gamblers. It was repeatedly alleged in the newspapers that the corruption fund gathered by the Celestials for the purpose of securing the good will of Wittman footed over \$10,000 a month.

There have been all sorts of rumors about the great wealth of Wittman, but no one has been able to determine definitely just how much money he has. You can hear from the people who pretend to know about such matters that he has over \$100,000 in coin. Some people claim that this money is in a safe deposit box in San Francisco. Others declare it is invested in property throughout the country.

The Grand Jury spent considerable money telegraphing to the leading towns in the States where Wittman's property is supposed to be in order to secure information as to his actual financial standing, but they were utterly unable to find any trace of any property in Wittman's name. Their failure to locate real estate supposed to be Wittman's has led them to believe that the theory of the safe deposit vault is not without foundation.

Aside from the ugly stories that have been associated with Wittman's career as a policeman, he had in his make-up the material for an ideal Chief of Police. He was a strict disciplinarian and played few favorites. He knows the game from top to bottom. He is a good judge of men and has a fair education.

Many believed that Wittman would be given a chance to resign. But the suddenness with which the Police Commissioners handled his case, did not give him opportunity to quit of his own volition.

Just what Wittman will do, no one seems to know. Some figure he will fight the case and try to have the courts go over the Mayor's head.

But what is bothering the people most is who will succeed Wittman. There is some talk that Jerry Dinan, who is a relative of Schmitz' wife, will be appointed Chief. Dinan has been a member of the Detective force for a number of years. I am told he was the best man at Schmitz's wedding.

There is also jocular gossip to the effect that Big Jim Fanning who has been acting as the Mayor's messenger, will be placed at the head of the Department. The appointment of Fanning would be a great mistake for the simple reason that he has had but a limited experience in police matters and has not the mental attainments to properly control a great organization. What Mayor Schmitz should do is to get a really big man for this highly important office and forget all about politics while looking for his man.

There is no end of speculation as to who will succeed Hutton on the Police Commission. Personally, I don't believe that either Schmitz or Ruef have thus far determined upon a candidate. I am told that the Mayor was anxious to appoint Deneen, a local contractor, as Hutton's successor, but that Ruef objected on the grounds that the new man ought to be a lawyer. Ruef admitted to the Mayor that he had no one definitely in mind for the job. If Schmitz and Ruef are wise they will fill the vacancy caused by the

How Grand Jury Figured in Police Matters--San Francisco Politics.

ousting of Hutton with a man of standing in the commercial world. The less politics in this appointment the better for the administration.

A very queer form of persecution has been waged against one of the most prominent society women in San Francisco for the past year.

She is a woman who likes to take parts in amateur theatricals, and in consequence has attained a certain amount of publicity. The person who is pursuing her has managed to dupe two newspapers into printing stuff about social gatherings that is not true.

Some months ago there appeared in The Evening Post a paragraph to the effect that she had given a very exclusive and delightful dinner, together with a list of the guests. As a matter of fact the people whose names appeared as having been present at the dinner had never been in the woman's house. As some of them were decidedly off color, the object of the publication was obvious.

Upon reading it the lady rang up the society editor of the paper and requested the source of information. She was told that it had come in as an anonymous communication, and was sent the copy of the original. Three weeks later the "Chronicle" received a communication stating that the woman was to give a social function and setting forth the list of those who were to be invited, and the scheme for entertaining the guests.

As the woman in question happened to be a great friend of the De Youngs, the "Chronicle" man, not wishing to make a break, rang her up and asked about it. She said that she had never contemplated any such function, and that if she had, the people that were given as her proposed guests would, under no circumstances, be invited. She requested the copy of the letter that had been sent to the paper. Upon examination it was found to be in the same handwriting as the note received by the "Post."

Thus far the family have been able to keep their troubles secret. At first they intended to put the matter in the hands of the police, but the fear of sensational publicity sidetracked that intention. Now the lady and her husband propose taking a long trip to Europe, and hope that in the meantime their persecutor will have abandoned his or her attitude toward them.

Chris Buckley and the late Sam Rainey once had a falling out. At first it was supposed that the row between the two bosses was a fake and was for the purpose of getting through some sort of a deal. In fact one of the newspapers refused to take the alleged scrap seriously. But one remark from Mrs. Rainey convinced the wise men that a real breach existed between Buckley and the man that politically owned the Fire Department. A newspaper reporter who was very friendly with the Rainey's and the Buckleys boarded a car a few days after the publication of the story of the row, and seeing Mrs. Rainey inside, stepped up and took a seat beside her.

"Good morning, Jimmy," she said.

"Good morning, Mrs. Rainey," he replied.

"Do you remember how Buckley used to tell about a house his people lived in in Ireland?" continued Mrs. Rainey.

"I do," answered the newspaper man.

"Well," said Mrs. Rainey, "it was not a house. It was a hut."

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FOUND IN RANKS OF ARMY

HEIR TO A TITLE DISAPPEARS, THEN IS FOUND IN PRIVATE UNIFORM.

NEW YORK, February 18.—The Hon. Arthur Reginald French, eldest son and heir to the title and estates of Baron de Freyne, a large land owner in County Roscommon, Ireland, who arrived here January 19 and was reported yesterday to the police as having mysteriously disappeared from his hotel is at Fort Slocum, on David's Island, near New Rochelle, wearing the uniform of a private in the United States army. On the day of his disappearance French enlisted at a recruiting station in this city and was assigned to the Eighth regiment. He came to America to visit his uncle, Captain William French, who owns a ranch in New Mexico. Having telephoned his relative and received no reply the young man decided to take up army life of which he is very fond.

When seen at the Fort, French was considerably amused at the excitement caused by his disappearance. "I supposed," he said, "an obscure Englishman, more or less, in the big country did not amount to much and might very well drop out of the ranks without such a fuss."

"I enlisted because I had a pretty strong notion of doing so when I left home. I had an idea of going up to Canada and joining the mounted police up there in the Northwest. But the more I heard and thought about that country and its forty degrees below zero, the less I liked it. So I just enlisted in the American army and I like it."

"I came out here nominally with the idea of going on my uncle's ranch in New Mexico, where he has lived about twenty years. My private income

won't answer to live on. I've got to do something and soldiering is the only thing I know how to do. I don't know anything about ranching. May be I could not have done anything at it when I got there."

Asked why he left all his luggage at the hotel in this city he explained that he did not expect to need his citizen's traps and abandoned them to cover a small sum he owed the hotel.

"I did not make any particular mystery about my enlistment," he added. "And as to leaving the service, I want to say I have not the remotest idea of so doing. The men are good fellows and the officers know their business. I am where I want to be and intend to stay."

Private French previously served in the Royal Fusiliers and when he left England was a Lieutenant in the Regiments. The next social event will be in the nature of a whisky party which will take place on the evening of March 16, and is looked forward to with much interest, as there are expected to be a large number of available women.

The committee in charge of the affair have already secured a number from individual members, also from the firm, while the different departments in the store will vie with each other in securing more, so that there will be no lack of prizes.

Several young ladies of artistic ability have agreed to furnish hand-painted souvenirs. Score-cards and some of the hand-souvenirs will act as scores.

Invitation cards are out and can be secured from any of the members, and the prospects are good for a large crowd and good time.

PLANS COMPLETE.

NEW YORK, February 18.—Architectural plans have been completed for the Colonial Club for which a site was purchased nearly a year ago in Madison avenue. When the structure shall have been reared the monopoly now held by the male population of the pleasures and privileges of an exclusive club, luxurious houses and thoroughly furnished, will be at an end in this city. With its combined social and athletic advantages the new club house will be the most complete in the country.

Its membership will include many of the most prominent women in New York and there will be several arrangements for out-of-town members.

A peculiarly strong argument in favor of the club among society women is that it will provide accommodations for them when they are spending a day or two in the city during the summer season when their town houses are closed.

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PRICES SUSTAINED.

NEW YORK, February 18.—Prices on the Stock Exchange have been well sustained this week on a somewhat diminished demand of a "spotty" character. Industrials and low-priced railroads have been the favorites, but have supported the general list by sympathy. The copper, foreign exchange and the passing of the foreign demand for American gold have helped the market.

Peace rumors abroad also resulted in some foreign demand in this market for stocks. Restraining factors have been the export grain rate war, the obstruction to railroad traffic by storms and discussion of legislation for government control of railroad rates.

EMPLOYES FORM MUTUAL AID

MEN AND WOMEN IN TAFT & PENNOYER'S HAVE AN ORGANIZATION.

The employees of the well known dry goods firm of Taft & Pennoyer have an organization known as the "Mutual Aid." Its object being to assist members financially when sick and to promote a spirit of sociability and friendship.

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RUSSIANS SHELL OYAMA'S ARMY

TOKIO, February 18, 3 p. m.—The Russians shelled portions of Field Marshal Oyama's center and left on Thursday, February 16th. On Friday

the Russian cavalry, in retiring from a recent attack upon Field Marshal Oyama's left, halted at Luchengfeng.

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STARTLING RESULT.

"I think you told me Miss Thurtby was taking elocutionary lessons from Prof. Rantwell." "So she was, but they came to a sudden stop and the professor has left town."

"What was the trouble?"

"Why, it seems he was showing her how to read the balcony scene in Romeo and Juliet and he did it so naturally that she accepted him before he could stop her."—Chicago Tribune.

MAKES CHARGES AGAINST U. C. PROFESSORS

Merchants' Committee Allege They Seek to Defeat Gates Bill to Promote Personal Gain.

Editor TRIBUNE.—In a desperate attempt to promote their personal profit, the professors of the State University are endeavoring to defeat the Gates bill by tactics which are certainly far from dignified, even if not actually dishonest.

The bill is so pernicious a piece of legislation that it is difficult to conceive that any man of sense would be induced to consent to its passage. It is a bill which is calculated to do a great deal of harm to the state of California.

The regents of that institution think they work, the way is open to them to resign their positions, as others have done before, and to engage in private practice at their own expense, and earn what they can for themselves, and then they themselves think they are worth.

But as long as they are connected with the university, and accept the salaries proposed by that institution, it is plain that they must be continually undivided attention to their legitimate occupations of teaching and conducting original investigations for the benefit of the community at large.

These are the plain, unvarnished facts which any man of sense can claim that it conflicts with any laws now on the statute books, or that it contains any provisions which are not absolutely just and proper.

MERCHANTS' AND MANUFACTURERS' COMMITTEE, February 17, 1905.

NEGRO POLITICIANS.

NEW YORK, February 18.—Negroes of this and adjoining States have held a meeting here at the Colored Republican Club for the purpose of drafting a constitution and by-laws of a negro political organization of national scope. It will be known as the National Colored Voters' League.

The leaders intend to hold a convention of colored voters and have chosen from several State organizations, two from each Congressional district and delegates at large. This is said to be the first definite movement of the sort undertaken by colored voters.

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ANNUAL DINNER.

NEW YORK, February 18.—The American Institute of Social Service has just held its annual meeting and dinner in this city. President Josiah Strong and the other officers were re-elected.

THE ADELPHIANS.

Invitations are out for "The Adelphi" social hop, which will take place in Maple Hall Tuesday evening, March 7. The very best of music will be furnished by Jaeger's orchestra and a most delightful evening is anticipated. Refreshments will be served throughout the evening.

This is practically the sum and substance of the provisions of the Gates bill.

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TO HOLD ANNUAL FESTIVAL

COMPETITIVE MUSICAL AND LITERARY PROGRAM TO BE GIVEN.

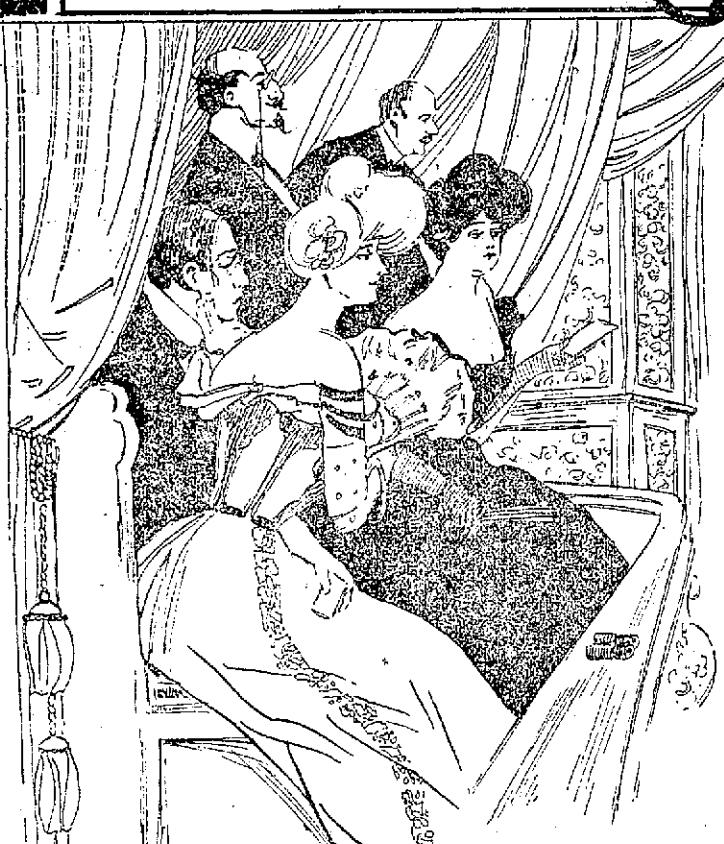
The annual musical and literary festival of the Welsh people of Oakland and San Francisco, will be held on Wednesday afternoon and evening, February 22 at the Market Street Congregational Church, Eighteenth and Market streets. The festival will be given under the auspices of the Welsh Sunday School of both cities.

Chairman afternoon meeting, Rev. J. Rhys Evans of San Francisco; chairman evening meeting, Rev. J. Thomas; San Francisco accompanist, D. Taylor Hughes; accompanist, Miss Annie A. Jones.

The program for the afternoon meeting, which will commence at 2 o'clock, is as follows:

Song and Chorus, "Hen Wlad fy Nhadau"; Address, "Chairman"; Competition Solo, "I blant Gwobr"; "Cymryd y Gwobr"; "I blant Gwobr"; "Hello Central

AT THE PLAY



HARRY BERESFORD, WHO WILL APPEAR AT THE MACDONOUGH

When the curtain rises again to-morrow matinee and night upon the stage of the Macdonough Theater it will present "that old fellow" Harry Beresford in a play in which he has received absolutely unanimous approbation in every city that he has visited. He comes with Charles T. Vincent's cleverly constructed comedy "Our New Man." Its bewitching and delicate comedy in the hands of this young genius presents genuine humor such as none but masters of the art of mimicry can portray. One cannot doubt the ability of this young star if he accepts the verdict of the prominent dramatic critics throughout the country. A celebrated Southern critic says of him: "But that actor who portrays human nature in its best light who steals into our hearts and calls our souls out to him—that actor is great—not for one hour and a day, but forever, and one of these few is Harry Beresford."

The company supporting Mr. Beresford has been carefully selected by his manager, J. J. Collier. The cast includes Miss Julia Batchelder, Miss Edith Hartman, Miss Nan Elliot, Miss Kate Bruce, Misses A. Durt Wagner, William Hartman, Johnson, Briscoe, Harry Crockett, and others of equal theatrical prominence.

Just tomorrow matinee and night are the only times this comedy is to be seen at the Macdonough Theater, and seats are selling at popular prices.

WILLIAM COLLIER.

William Collier, who is to appear at the Macdonough Theater next Monday and Tuesday evenings, February 20 and 21, in the farce of "The Dictator," written for him by Richard Harding Davis, and in which he is now starring under the direction of Charles Frohman, says if there is another actor who is as nervous as he is on the occasion of his first appearance in a new part, he would like very much to meet him. He has tried repeatedly to overcome his extreme nervous feeling, when he is to be seen in a new role, but try as he will, it is utterly impossible for him to do so.

Someone remarked to him a short time ago that he had been the central figure in many important productions and that he must feel perfectly at home, and not know what the meaning of nervousness was. He replied, "You must be joking. Every man, woman and child in the profession, and particularly managers, know what a horribly nervous first-night actor I am. I am a good deal like some sailors, if I may apply a simile of the sea to the theater. It is said that many sailors are afflicted with me, and every time they leave port, I must sick every time I make a voyage out of the port of the theater to the vast ocean of public favor. I candidly say that I never appear in a play for the first time without a sense of weakness coming over my body. This nervousness is brought about, of course, by the physical strain endured during the weeks of preliminary preparation. Yet I think it might be overcome if the mind could be kept easy. A new dramatic venture means so much to the prominent player, and it is small wonder that he worries. I have practically given up trying to overcome my nervousness on appearing in new parts. It seems to be utterly useless." The advance seat

JANE KELTON, WHO WILL APPEAR IN "AN AMERICAN GIRL" AT YE LIBERTY THEATER NEXT WEEK.

scoring a great success. The play is one that leaves a pleasant flavor behind, a flavor of rustic romance and brave deeds of goodness and simple rising triumphant over frustrated villainy and irritating misconceptions in the fourth act, which is short and sweet.

Mr. Hendricks is an actor of the type made familiar years ago by Jon Elsmere. He has a voice of singular

charm, and his appearance is that of a man who has been in the theater for a long time. He is a good actor, and his performance in "An American Girl" is sure to be a success.

On Sunday night, March 12, the Oakland branch of the "Theatrical Mechanics' Association" is to have a monster entertainment for their first annual benefit at the Macdonough Theater. This promises to be the biggest show seen in Oakland in many a long day, as talent will be donated from all the leading theaters in both Oakland and San Francisco.

"David Harum" is to be seen again

at the Macdonough Theater towards the end of March.

Henry W. Savage's English Grand Opera Company will be heard in Oakland for three performances towards the end of March at the Macdonough.

AT YE LIBERTY.

The success of "Mizpah" at Ye Liberty Playhouse has been simply phenomenal, and even larger audiences have greeted this wonderful play during this week, the second of its engagement at Oakland's beautiful stock theater than on the occasion of its first presentation here two weeks ago. "Mizpah" contains all the elements of the successful drama, a well-defined plot suggested by Luscombe Searele and elaborated upon by Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox, beautiful costume and elaborate scenes, investigation, and incidental music, written by Mr. Searele, which holds an important place throughout the play, adds greatly to the charm of the drama. It has appealed to all classes of theater-goers, and to many others besides, who have never before or very seldom attended a place of amusement, and probably every minister and clergyman in the city has seen the play. It follows very closely the true biblical story of Esther in the Bible, and only deviates when made necessary by reason of dramatic climaxes.

Many excellent plays are ruined because their first presentation was made by an inferior company, but such fortunately was not the case

BEN HENDRICKS AS "OLE OLSEN."

attraction. The management has acted wisely in retaining this little lady for another week, as she has made a decided hit with the Bell patrons. The big act of the show is the closing number, Mulsimer and his trained sheep and pigs. The act is a decided novelty, and well worth seeing. Ahern and Baxter, comedy acrobats, do a splendid turn, as well as Kendel and Thompson, lad comedians, who add their share to a very good Bill.

For next week the management promises several big surprises, including new animated pictures, views of different parts of the world, and Lou's big dog circus, coming direct from New York to open up in the Bell Circuit. Scott and McCord, the great song and dance team, and several other large acts will make the Bell's bill for next week an exceptionally strong one. The matinees of this house are very popular and well patronized by ladies and children.

THE ALCAZAR.

The Alcazar's splendid company of stock players, after winning laurels in dramas of romance, problem plays, wildly absurd farces and strenuous melodramas, will next week meet the supreme test in "Richard III" and "The Merchant of Venice." "The Merchant of Venice" is a happy selection, for it gives rare individual opportunity and calls for effects of charming music, brilliant costuming and beautiful stage pictures. Several years have passed since the Alcazar has offered a Shakespearean revival. "The Merchant of Venice" will be, therefore, all the more welcome, because of its educational value, and the fact that hundreds of the younger generation who have studied it as a classic in the schools, have never seen it upon the stage. The play will be given in its entirety, including the sixth act, and the beautiful casket scene, which are sometimes omitted. There will be an extra holiday matinee on Washington's birthday. Among my first matinees will be "Clyde Fitch's Captain Jinks of the Horse Marine," Herne's "Sag Harbor" and Willard's greatest success, "The Middleman."

WILLIE COLLIER, WHO WILL APPEAR AT THE MACDONOUGH NEXT WEEK.

with "Mizpah." For if the very best artists in their respective lines in the United States had been available no possible improvement could be made on the present cast. It is well nigh awful, and Mrs. Wilcox is to be congratulated upon having such excellent players interpret the roles. Mr. Bishop is also to be congratulated upon securing such a splendid attraction for his theater.

The last three performances of "Mizpah" will be given tonight and tomorrow night and at the bargain matinee tomorrow afternoon.

Next week a specially selected cast from Bishop's Thirty Players will present the great comedy drama, "An American Girl," which has been recognized for a number of years as one of the best attractions before the amusement-loving public. It will afford a splendid opportunity for Miss Jane Kelton, who will be seen as the typical American girl, which should

FAMILY SECRETS.

(From "Lippincott's Magazine")

When you buy like the furniture

When you know there's something don't

He's either played the hags and lost

An' doesn't want to pay the cost,

Or something'.

When Mabel's eyes are red

An' troubles seem brawin'

She's either had a fight with Ned

(Her beau) or got hit in her head,

Or something'.

When Mabel eats breakfast with a frown

And pa to work goes stewin'

It's either parlor curtains or

A Persian rug for her "bodwore."

Or something'.

An' pa? He's always bright as steel,

For when they're all a-chewin'

He grabs his hat and leaves the house,

Or goes upstairs, still as a mouse,

Or something'.

Bout me? I've troubles of my own,

An' others yet a-cryin',

But I can always git-a-n'-bear,

Or tear the old yellow hair,

Or something'.

WORD FROM BRER WILLIAMS.

When you see old Lady Trouble comin' down cobble road, bee' thing you kin do is let take tea de woods, jump on a horse and ride away from her. Atlanta Constitution.

THE VALUE OF CHARCOAL.

Few People Know How Useful It Is In Preserving Health and Beauty.

Nearly everybody knows that charcoal is the safest and most efficient disinfectant and purifier in nature, but few realize its value when taken into the human system for the same cleansing purpose.

Charcoal is a remedy that the more you take of it the better; it is not a drug at all, but simply absorbs the gases and impurities always present in the stomach and intestines and carries them out of the system.

Charcoal sweetens the breath after smoking, drinking or after eating onions and other odorous vegetables.

Charcoal effectively clears and improves the complexion, it whitens the teeth and further acts as a natural and eminently safe cathartic.

It absorbs the injurious gases which collect in the stomach and bowels; it discharges the mouth and throat from the poisons of carburetted.

All druggists sell charcoal in one form or another, but probably the best charcoal and the most for the money is in Stuart's Charcoal Lozenges: they are composed of the finest powdered Willow charcoal, and other harmless antiseptics in tablet form or rather in the form of large, pleasant tasting lozenges, the charcoal being mixed with honey.

The daily use of these lozenges will go on to a much improved condition of the general health, better complexion, sweeter breath and purer blood, and the beauty of it is, that no possible harm can result from their continued use, but on the contrary, great benefit.

THE NOVELTY THEATER.

The present program will be given at the Novelty for the last times tonight and tomorrow evening. On Monday an extra new bill will be presented, including all new vaudeville people.

The new Novelty Arcade continues to be the center of attraction where the admission is free. It is open from 1 p.m. until after the last show in the theater.

THE EMPIRE THEATER.

At the Empire Theater this week the audiences have been large. There

will be an entire change of program, commencing Monday, embracing artists not seen here before.

The matinees are becoming more popular with the children, the theater being crowded every afternoon, when special features are given for their benefit.

THE BELL.

The attendance at this popular theater all this week was enormous.

The show is an exceedingly fine one.

The opening number on the bill, Freeman

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NOTES FOR THE WOMEN

THE FITNESS OF THINGS.

Independent enough to make her own fashion, so far as her children are concerned, asserts the New York Press, Mrs. Francis D. Beard ignores the present fad among mothers of dressing their girls in bloomers during play hours, and attire them to suit her own fancy. Her idea of fitness is to have tiny pink buds embroidered on the bonnet strings of her oldest daughter, Rosebud, and pale purple pansies on the ribbons of her other daughter, whose name is Pansy. Both these little girls wear frocks with low necks and short puffed sleeves, a la Gretchen, in winter as well as summer, and, for indoor wear their frocks are always strikingly short. When the five children go out driving with their mother in Lakewood they invariably wear white hats and caps and heavy white fur coats, against which the purple half-mourning of the young widow stands out in striking relief. Mrs. Beard's idea of the eternal fitness of things might have been far more expensive than it is had her girls happened to be named Pearl or Ruby, for instance.

PEACE AND PLEASURE.

Mary Makepeace sat down in her favorite chair in her own room and threw her head back with a long sigh. "No words can tell how glad I am that I've made my last visit for the season," she said. "Now I shall have some peace, not to mention pleasure."

"My dear!" said her mother, reproachfully.

"I mean it," returned Mary. "Of course I like a change of scene, but I am tired of adapting my whole life to others, as I am expected to do as a welcome guest."

"My dear!" said her mother again. "Think how kind everybody has been to you!"

"They meant to be—they were kind," Mary said, wearily, "yet I feel as if I had barely escaped with my life, and you will admit that is not just the right kind of after-feeling."

"Let me tell you, mother," Mary continued. "At the Fosters' I changed my hours for rising, for retiring and for eating my meals. At the Lanes' I changed father's politics—for of course I haven't any of my own—to please Mr. Lane, and I had all I could do to keep from changing my religion to please Mrs. Lane."

"At the Jenkins' I changed all my views about what constitutes diversion to suit the family in general. At the Pages' I entirely changed my point of view concerning music and books. And at the Nevins', where I was ill, I changed my doctor, and took stuff which I felt sure would poison me, just to please them."

"I ate cheese, which I abhor, and gave up fruit, which I like, at the Fisks'. I slept with closed windows at Great-Aunt Marla's because she is afraid of a breath of air, and drank 21 pints of hot water the four days I was at Cousin Thomas' to flush my system."

"No," said Mary, in a firm voice, "I pay no more visits for months to come. Homekeeping youth may have honest wits, but if I go about much more I shall not have any wits at all!"—*Youth's Companion*.

A CHILD MODEL.

There is a little girl who lives in Harlem who has made a fortune, although only five years old! Her name is Ruth Abbott Wells, and she is recognized among the artists of New York as the best child model in the world. Her mother manages her business for her and attends to the investment of the little girl's earnings, which now numbers in the thousands of dollars. She receives \$25 an hour for posing—just think of that!—and her time is always fully taken up, so that if she keeps on she will be a millionaire by the time she grows up.

LADY ALEXANDER.

An interesting woman is Lady Alexander, who is in Washington as the guest of Mrs. Dudley Rawson de Chair, wife of the British legation's naval attaché. She is a sparkling raconteuse, and has a wealth of anecdote with which she can converse a drawing room or hypnotize a dinner party. Her Lacy is a strikingly handsome woman with the strong features of the traditional British matron of rank, yet with a store of subtilities in her smile that softens the stern realities of her face. She is known in London not only through her story-telling abilities, but as one of the most successful hostesses in Mayfair. Her handsome home is a rendezvous for artists of all kinds, and men of letters find in her the best sort of friend—one who literally talks.

NOTES FOR THE WOMEN

Is to love children, and no home can be completely happy without them, yet the ordeal through which the expectant mother must pass usually is so full of suffering, danger and fear that she looks forward to the critical hour with apprehension and dread.

Mother's Friend

Mother's Friend, by its penetrating power, allays nausea, nervousness, and so prepares the system for the ordeal that she passes through the event safely and with but little suffering, as numbers have testified and said, "it is worth its weight in gold." \$1.00 per bottle of druggists. Book containing valuable information mailed free.

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COUNTESS OF STRAFFORD, BORN CORA E. SMITH, OF NEW YORK, ONE OF THE AMERICAN WIVES IN EUROPE.

their books into popularity. She even attributes to authors many of her own best narratives, frequently opening a story with "As Jerome tells so cleverly," or "Perhaps you've heard Zangwill say." It is said she has been of great help to half the literary men in England.

CHIFFON AND ERMINIE.

Ermine was becoming wearisome, in spite of the fact that it was used only by the extremely wealthy, and the fashions were thinking of striking it off their lists for 1905, when came with a longer lead than the other hit on the happy idea of combining the snowy peat with chiffon. Consequently, the sable-flecked fur is likely to have a new lease of life—has, in fact, so far as this season is concerned, and almost certainly will have for the next. Graceful Mary Rutherford of New York is a pioneer of the new fashion. Perhaps it was because her new collarette and bow of ermine and chiffon were delivered recently that she braved the storm long enough to trip from the house door to her carriage, in which vehicle she was whirled away for rounds of calls. She was one of the few fashionable girls abroad in the avenue at any hour of the day. But she was justified. Her mink was a dream with its chiffon ruffles, and the collarette looked like snow crowned with sea foam, with its ruching of chiffon extending from nap to peak.

FUND OF ROSE COLOR.

Rose is the favorite color of Senator Knox's daughter, Mrs. James Robert Tindle, who, since her pretty Valentine wedding in October last, has been the acknowledged belle of Pittsburg's fashionable suburb, Sewickley.

Her boudoir is hung with tapestries of that hue, which, of course, appears also in the furniture, which is of Louis Quinze pattern, with a profusion of gold. Young Mrs. Tindle affects the shade in a majority of her house gowns and party frocks. One built for her recently is of silk muslin with blush roses painted on it and a lining of silk damask that emphasizes, strange as it may seem, the beauty of the paler tint. Point lace is applied on the waist in the style of a jacket. A panel of the same lace runs down the front of the skirt, and blend w/ it is an elaborate combination of silver garnished with American Beech roses. Graceful vines clamber about the bottom of the skirt and half way up the back. The lace is fan-petaled at the back, and the train sweeps from the plait with regal effect. Silver embroidered flowers form the upper sleeves, and under them are flounces of the same lace that adorns the body of the frock. A lace cascade falls from the V-cut neck almost to the toes.

COLLECTION OF VASES.

In making a home in the country a lover of flowers determined to accumulate no useless bric-a-brac, but to gather instead a collection of vases and bowls to hold our flowers. Certain pieces were kept in a closed cabinet; others were displayed on tables and shelves. Plain or iridescent glass was reserved for sweet peas; tall, tapering vases were used for roses; some Spanish pottery was dedicated to nasturtiums; large, cylindrical jars of dull green were brought in in time of hollyhocks; and, hardly chrysanthemums, the garden's last contribution to the decoration of the house, were always placed in terra-cotta Mexican dishes. Such an assortment as this is not beyond the most moderate income, and chosen by degrees, gives a continuous interest to the making of a home.

HAND NEEDLE WORK.

All lovers of hand "needling" will do well to preserve until they become as expert as our French sisters in the sewing together of raw edges, asserts Good Housekeeping.

Insertions, beadings, edgings and ruffles can be joined to each other or to plain material in this way with infinitely less expense than the large ones and may be made sufficiently in the prevailing mode without partaking of its exaggerated features.

All bogginess of the waist must be avoided, both back and front, and yet care must be exercised to prevent an appearance of tightness. In coats it is well to have closely fitting backs with half or, at any rate, slightly loose fitting fronts. In waists narrow vests and collars with very shallow yokes are becoming, but a deep yoke on a large woman is hideous. For house and evening wear a trained gown gives distinction and grace.

LEATHER BELTS THE RAGE.

Every season there is a new fashion in belts. This year the triple leather belts promise to be all the rage. They are made of a fine quality of leather, about four inches wide, and are long enough to go around the waist, one row on top of the other, three times.

They are fastened together with a buckle in front and can be drawn around the waist as tight as necessary.

These very broad triple belts are to be much worn this spring with street gowns, the short bolero jacket just coming to the top of the belt. They can be trimmed with sequins, hand-embroidery of leather braid, which is one of the advanced spring trimmings. Belts of all kinds are one of the fads of the coming spring season and a simple frock can be made to look very dressy by weaving one of the new triple leather belts.

ARTIFICIAL SURROUNDINGS.

It is certainly one of the encouraging signs of our times, says the Boston Transcript, that in the last few years there has come an increasing love of outdoor life, and a growing desire on the part of the possessors of fine town houses to have country homes as well.

Landscape gardening has become a more important profession, and now a school of manual training at Menominee, Wis., has taken up the matter of beautifying home grounds in earnest,

and has prepared a useful handbook which gives simple directions for the laying out of artistic surroundings for homes and schools.

To those who have been educated in some of the schools abroad, it is surprising to find that in this country the surroundings of the home are often below those of the home.

In Germany many small gardens in the school grounds are used by teachers to supply their table, and occasionally as a means of education.

In this country there are occasionally public school grounds that are conveniently arranged and more attractive with lawns and shrubs primarily for ornament, while others, like the George Putnam school in Boston, are arranged primarily for instruction,

JACKETS FOR THE STREET.

A new spring fad will be kimono jackets for out-of-door wear. These jackets will be copied from a model sent to this country from Paris, which promises to be the most popular model of the early spring season.

They are made exactly like a short kimono, loose back and front, and having long flowing sleeves—with deep turn-over cuffs.

The rolling collar will be of silk,

and the jacket will be fastened together in front with a large buckle.

These jackets should be cut short, to come only to the top of the hips.

They should be cut also rather full and should be worn with the gathered or plaited skirts, which still promise to be so fashionable for street wear.

These jackets should be lined with a light quality of China silk, as heavy materials do not look well when made into kimono jackets.

They will be particularly fashionable when made of pongee silk or taffeta, and can be worn over the most elaborate blouses of muslin or chiffon without musing or hurting it in the least. Made of linen or duck, they are equally effective, and may be trimmed with embroidery or coarse lace.

A HISTORIC WATCH FOUND.

The silver watch worn by Captain Meriwether Lewis on the exploration expedition 100 years ago through Oregon to the Pacific, and which was believed to have been stolen from him when he was murdered in Tennessee, has been found. An old lady in Weston, W. Va., claims to own the identical timepiece, and will exhibit it at the Lewis and Clark centennial.

ANTIQUITY OF LINEN.

It is highly probable that the manufacture of linens is of greater antiquity

than that of silk. The

Chinese, who are the

oldest known nation

to have used silk,

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SHALL CHILD LABOR BE PROHIBITED?

California Youngsters Are Too Lazy to Hurt Themselves by Working.

BY BETTY MARTIN.

As usual, the bill prohibiting child labor has made its appearance at Sacramento. If it gets through, it will be tough on the orchardists this year, and tougher on the children.

There is no need, in California, of any bill prohibiting children from working. Instead of working too much, the average young native son works too little. Idleness and its fruits are more to be dreaded than overwork. Particularly is this true in the country towns and outlying districts.

The cities offer no such tempting inducements to drift aimlessly along as do the ranches and small towns. In the country, the school sessions are short.

This mainly from two reasons: lack of funds and the hot weather. School is generally closed during the entire summer season for the all sufficient reason that there isn't money enough to pay the teacher.

Now, what are the youngsters going to do in the meantime?

Dawdle their time away about home, or gather in idle groups on the streets of the nearest town, while the grapes and fruit of the orchards drop rotting to the ground?

Several prominent orchardists recently dug up their fruit trees because of the difficulty in procuring help to harvest the fruit.

Not a man among them would be willing to set himself up as a lover of Chinese, yet few of them hesitate to express sorrow that they are not on our shores in sufficient numbers to admit of their employment during the fruit season.

The boys and girls have filled the gaps quite acceptably heretofore, although painfully lacking in numbers. However, those who did work were not laggards and the orchardists were glad to get their help. Now, if this labor is made prohibitory, what will the fruit men do?

But, leaving the growers altogether out of the question, what are the young folks to do during this period of enforced idleness? What can they do, but loaf?

In all the world, there is no climate so inviting to idleness as that of California. The balmy air and cloudless skies invite to leisure. Instead of encouraging this trait, it should be downed most effectually. Our young folks do not work half enough. They barely realize the meaning of the word. Easterneers regard with amazement the manner of life here, and assert that we do not know what "work" means. The idea that boys should be prohibited from earning any money at all until they shall have attained the age of fourteen, is preposterous. By that time many of them will be too lazy to ever amount to anything at all, and will be better fitted to become tramps than honest men.

A bit of news interesting to Oakland's literary society, is contained in the statement that W. C. Morrow of San Francisco, is about to deliver a course of lectures over here. In connection, we will expect classes in the "art of writing." Mr. Morrow, will, in all probability, begin his work here next Thursday.

Speaks of matters and people literary the oriental writer's section in the *Evening* is doing good work this season. Of necessity, this section is restricted in numbers. However, there's no limit to the enthusiasm of the members who, under the leadership of Mrs. Albert Smith, are forging ahead rapidly.

The Writers' Club, now in its second year, still meets about from house to house. It is limited to two evenings a month, and a considerable amount of matter is gotten through with during the sessions.

There is a slight depletion in the ranks at present, which will soon be remedied by a return of the absentees. Miss Julia Fraser is still doing the Indian Reservations and Miss Charlotte Cancy is on a protracted visit to Seattle. Miss Cancy has done some very clever work. Her latest effort appearing in a Western publication was a story in the Christmas number of the San Francisco News Letter.

And now comes Professor W. B. Bailey, of Yale, armed with date which, in his opinion, sets at rest the theory that race suicide obtains among the rich rather than the poor. The figures which the professor has succeeded in obtaining show a good all-around average of children with the poorest fraction more to the credit of those not otherwise endowed with worldly wealth. Four youngsters, apparently, are the limit, though occasionally good people have been known to overstep these bounds.

Landlords and hotel keepers appear to have deep rooted objections to children, but the world wags along pretty comfortably in spite of the prohibitory decrees often issued by this class of people. In the long run this ruling out of children is salutary in effect, for it often forces heads of families into the sun-

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ALAMEDA

IMPROVEMENT CLUB ASKS
FOR MORE POLICEMEN

North Berkeley Men Prepare to Ask
Trustees to Protect the
Town.

BERKELEY, February 18.—The North Berkeley Improvement Club last night received a report from President Victor Robertson, who had been detailed as a committee of one to wait upon the Town Trustees at their last meeting to talk about the police question. He said:

"I met with the Trustees at the last meeting, in accordance with the plans of the club, and was somewhat thrown off my guard when the members of the board informed me that instead of cutting down the police force it was their intention to increase it. My surprise was still greater on the following morning, to learn that the trustees had discharged all special police, leaving this part of the town practically without police protection. The explanation offered by a member of the board was that it was on the ground of economy that this action had been taken, and that it was the intention to compromise the matter somewhat by putting in more electric lights about the town, wherever a particularly dark corner suggested a need."

"In short," said the speaker, "it seemed to be the policy of the board to substitute electric lights for police men." Dr. Farrar asked if the matter of grounding the trolley and telegraph wires had fallen through.

President Robertson said it was very difficult to get the wires properly insulated, as they were buried in the ground, so it was well to go slow in adopting this plan. The president stated that this matter would be taken up later on in the session.

Dr. Farrar said if he understood the matter correctly North Berkeley was not utterly destitute of police protection, as arrangements had been made with the West Berkeley policeman to patrol that beat occasionally.

The outcome of it all, however, was the appointment of a committee of three to go to the trustees next Monday night, with regards for their action about discharging the police, and the additional request for a man for the North Berkeley fire station.

The policy of the transportation committee in reference to North Berkeley, was very definitely stated by Mr. Street. He said it shall be the two rigs at once and perform all the other necessary business in connection with the fire department.

Mr. Street also said that it was his intention to present to the next meeting of the club, the proposition of the Scenic Railroad to Grizzly Peak.

It was finally decided to let a part of the fire department be used for the water supply, was called upon for a report. He stated that nothing could be done toward compelling the water company to filter the water. The matter was referred to the joint committee.

A. L. Ott, chairman of the fire committee, reported that a new horse had been purchased for this fire district. "It is not exactly what we want, but still it does very well. The need now is a driver. One man cannot drive two rigs at once and perform all the other necessary business in connection with the fire department."

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RURAL DELIVERY
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CONGRESSMAN KNOWLAND INTERESTED.

FRUITVALE, Feb. 18.—Postmaster George Lund has received a communication from Congressman Knowland informing him that a Rural Free Delivery agent will visit Fruitvale in a few days to investigate this district.

The neighborhood north and east from Fourteenth street and Fruitvale avenue has no system of mail delivery as yet. A petition started by Mr. Lund was signed by a large number of the residents and sent in the care of the congressman.

One of the principal reasons for the delivery system is that a large number of the male inhabitants of the district go to work in Oakland or San Francisco before the office opens in the morning, and return after its close in the evening.

It is confidently expected that the inspector will lay out a route for the rural carrier. If he does this and makes a favorable report, it will be necessary for each family to procure a mail box of some style approved by the government and place it before the house. One trip per day will be all that will be made for some time, at least.

CHURCH SERVICES.

Rev. Burton M. Palmer will preach tomorrow at the Congregational Church on the following topics: Morning—"The Church and the Moral Man;" evening—"How the Bible Entered England," the sixth in the series of historical talks on the history of the Book of Books.

BABY DAUGHTER
DIES IN THE EAST

BERKELEY, February 18.—News has just reached Berkeley from Washington, D. C., of the death of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Tolman. Mrs. Tolman is the daughter of Mrs. J. Grindley of 2415 Haste street.

CHEMISTRY FIENDS
WILL ENTERTAIN

BERKELEY, February 18.—The

"Chemistry Fiends" are to entertain Saturday evening next in the Chemistry building. Novel invitations to their "pot boiling" have been sent to the professors of the department, members of the various chemistry societies and a few others. A feature of the evening is to be the singing of some new and original songs composed by the "fiends."

BERKELEY, February 18.—"All Around Man" will be the subject of an address by Rev. J. H. Peele, pastor of the Friends Church, at the Young Men's Christian Association on Shattuck avenue on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The address will be full of helpful suggestions for the daily life and no young man can afford to miss hearing it. The association quartet will render several selections.

BERKELEY, February 18.—News

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BOOK BY
DE VRIESCopy of Famous Savant's
Work Comes to
Professor.

BERKELEY, February 18.—Hugo De Vries of the University of Amsterdam, who delivered a series of lectures at last year's summer school, on botanical subjects, has recently published these lectures. The book which contains the lectures is called "Species and Varieties, Their Origin and Mutation." It was edited by David Trembley McDougal, assistant director of the New York botanical garden, and was published by the Open Court Publishing Company of London. These lectures were a part of the work done at the summer school and are bound in a convenient size volume. A copy of the same is in possession of Professor Satchell of the botany department.

PRIZES WILL BE
AWARDEDDANCE TO BE GIVEN BY LODGE—
SAN LEANDRO
NOTES.

SAN LEANDRO, February 18.—Plans for a grand masquerade ball are being made by Olive Branch Circle, No. 213, Women of Woodcraft. Masonic hall has been engaged for the affair, which is to take place Thursday evening, March 9.

A large number of prizes for costume and door prizes will be awarded. Admission will be strictly by invitation.

Decorations of greens and rosettes of ribbon will beautify the dance hall. Vases of cut flowers and bouquets for the ladies will further embellish the scene.

The arrangements committee is as follows:

Mrs. Thomas Sawyer of Elmhurst, chairman; Mrs. K. E. Smith, Mrs. L. D. Critchlow, Mrs. E. Black, Mrs. Passler and Mrs. Crabtree. The post of floor manager will be taken by Mrs. Black. She will have Mrs. Smith to assist her.

NEWS NOTES.

Company 68, Uniformed Rank, Knights of Pythias, has postponed indefinitely the supper which was scheduled to be given last night. The absence of several of the high officers whose presence was counted on, made the postponement necessary.

A. J. Roberts is seriously ill. Dr. Miller is attending him.

INTER-COLLEGIATE
DEBATE DISCUSSED

BERKELEY, February 18.—The members of the University '07 Debating society will hold their next meeting Monday evening, February 27, in Stiles Hall. Besides a general discussion of debating interests, there will be a mock trial as special feature of the evening.

Last year the sophomore debating society was disbanded as an active organization, it being feared that sophomore might die after the interclass debates. Occasional reunions, however, were planned.

At the first of these reunions, held in the shape of a banquet, in San Francisco a few weeks ago, so much interest and spirit was manifested that it was unanimously agreed to hold frequent informal meetings during the present term and to vary the program from time to time.

The committee appointed to arrange for the next meeting, consisting of E. M. Peixotto, H. A. Dwell and H. H. Hart, selected a mock trial for the first of these meetings, and yesterday decided upon the day and place of meeting. Former members of the society as well as all sophomores interested in debate will be welcomed.

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TELLS OF
ROYCROFTBerkeley Man Writes Ac-
count of Visit to
Elbert Hubbard.

BERKELEY, February 18.—William A. Caldwell, instructor at the California State Institute for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind, has written a highly diverting account of the Roycroft Shop and Elbert Hubbard, based on a recent trip to that remarkable community. He says:

"As I stepped from the train, I saw a young gentleman and a young lady, both bareheaded according to the custom prevailing in the east (and beginning to crop out here), and each wearing a gold ribbon with the word Roycroft on it. They took me in charge and after depositing my suitcase in a wagon, conducted me and other guests up the shady street for a few blocks to the Phalanstery (named after the community home of Fourier, the French socialist). My first surprise was when I found that the various buildings were within the town limits. In reading in a novel or account of real life, I always build up a fanciful picture of the scene. I had located the Roycroft settlement all by itself, somewhat removed from the rest of the world, but this was wrong. The Phalanstery is in the middle of a block on one side of the street, the chapel is diagonally across the street on the corner, the shop-building is somewhat in the rear of the chapel, the dairy, the domain of Ali Baba, is several blocks away, and the pavilion where the larger gatherings are held is in a grove at the edge of the town.

"The Phalanstery is a long, rambling, frame building. The steward in blue denim shirt and with trousers in pools met me with a cordial grasp of the hand and recorded my name in the 'book.' I was told that I could have my choice of sleeping in a dormitory, in that building or of taking a room in a private house, arrangements having been made with some of the neighbors to accommodate visitors during the summer school.

"After having completed my arrangements at the Phalanstery, I strolled over to the shop and watched the work of printing and the illumination and binding of books. Most of the persons employed were boys and girls of from perhaps sixteen to twenty years of age. I wandered up and down the long rooms examining whatever took my fancy and enjoying to the full that delight which comes with the opportunity of merely touching and handling a fine book. My second surprise came in the apparent lack of supervision. There were thousands of dollars worth of books piled up in the various rooms in all states from the proposal leaves to the finished volume, and nothing, so far as I could see, to prevent me from carrying off anything that took my fancy."

"At the ringing of the noon bell I marched out with the workmen and headed for the Phalanstery. But few of the employees boarded there during my stay. I suppose that most of them are residents of the town and live at home.

"I had not been seated at the table more than a few minutes when Fra-Elbertus entered the room in his blue jumpers, with his sleeves rolled up, and passed about among the tables, shaking hands with the late arrivals.

I may as well say here that some of the customs prevailing at the Roycroft plant will inevitably strike the foreigner as affected, but more intimate associations with the place will certainly remove this impression.

The young woman who waited on Mr. Hubbard's table appeared the second evening I was there in a black silk dress, as one of the guests at his table. She was to sing that evening in the chapel and she appeared as much at home on the stage as she did when, in her calico dress, she was occupied as a waitress. She had a fine contralto voice which had been well trained. The pianist on this occasion, by the way, wore the only dress coat I saw while at East Aurora."

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BERKELEY GIRL TO
WED ACROSS BAY

BERKELEY, Feb. 18.—The following marriage license was issued yesterday in San Francisco:

William H. Barth, 28, 210 Fourteenth street, San Francisco, and Anna Roller, 24, Berkeley.

Buy a
Coffee Mill

DEPARTMENT OF
ARCHITECTURE MOVES

BERKELEY, Feb. 18.—The department of architecture has moved from its old quarters over the postoffice to rooms in the new National Bank Building. Although the building is by no means finished, work has progressed far enough to permit the use of the upper stories.

John Gahan Howard has secured the three front rooms of the fifth story for his office and the drafting rooms, and the drawing apparatus has already been transferred.

The party will consist of the lady nurses and assistants who attended Mr. Stewart at the sanatorium, and to whom he is exceedingly grateful for the care and attention they bestowed upon him during his illness.

GIVES NURSES
THEATER PARTY

Maurice Stewart, the clever and popular comedian of Bishop's Company of Players, who recently underwent a successful operation for appendicitis at Easy Bay Sanatorium, will celebrate his recovery and restoration to health by a theatre party tonight at the performance of "Mizpah" at the Liberty Playhouse.

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

Regular Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Supervisors, Monday, February 13, 1905.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Board met in regular session.

Absent—Chairman Kelley and the following found to be present:

Supervisors Horner, Kelley, Rowe and Talcott.

Absent—Chairman Mitchell—1.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, and the following:

On motion of Supervisor Talcott, seconded by Supervisor Horner, Supervisor Kelley was elected chairman pro tem.

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS.

On motion of Supervisor Talcott, seconded by Supervisor Horner, Rule 7 was suspended by the following vote:

Ayes—Supervisors Horner, Rowe, Talcott and Chairman (Pro Tem) Kelley—4

Absent—Chairman Mitchell—1.

The Auditing and Finance Committee having reported favorably upon the following claims were read by the Clerk.

COUNTY GENERAL FUND.

First National Bank, assignee of Harvey Daniel, \$182.50; Frank Higuera, \$150.00; C. B. Lanktree, assignee of O. P. F. Foy, \$15.00; same assignee of P. J. Koller, \$15.00; same assignee of J. S. MacDougal, \$5.00; Union National Bank, \$100.00.

BROOKLYN DISTRICT ROAD FUND

E. B. and L. Stone Company, \$85.00.

ROAD DAMAGE FUND.

M. Aurora-Corale A. King, \$886.80; minor heirs of C. S. King, \$200.00.

On motion of Supervisor Talcott, seconded by Supervisor Rowe, the claims were ordered paid to the various parties in the following amounts, the funds designated by the following vote:

Ayes—Supervisors Horner, Rowe, Talcott and Chairman (Pro Tem) Kelley—4

Absent—Chairman Mitchell—1.

REPORTS OF COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP OFFICERS.

The following reports of County and Township officers were received and ordered filed:

Jesus Young, Road Foreman, for the month of January, 1905.

D. McDonald, Road Foreman, for the month of December, 1904.

County Infirmary, for the month of January, 1905.

Alameda County Commissioners Louis and Charles.

AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION.

The following affidavits of publication were received and ordered filed:

Pleasanton Times, liquor license S. Mongiatti.

Pleasanton Times, liquor license Alfred P. Y.

Hawthorne Journal, liquor license Hines and C. C. Hines.

APPLICATION FOR RELIEF.

An application for relief was received from Mrs. R. Bernal and referred to Supervisor Horner.

PETITIONS FOR CREDITS.

The following petitions for credits were received and granted:

George Hansen, for fifteen days.

Louis Carter, for fifteen days.

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APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSES.

The following applications for liquor licenses were received and referred to the Judiciary, License and Printing Committee:

J. Anderson, hearing set for March 6, 1905; published in Elmhurst Review.

Silva & Davison, hearing set for March 6, 1905; published in Elmhurst Review.

W. C. Baker, hearing set for March 6, 1905; published in Elmhurst Review.

Freston & Silva; hearing set for March 6, 1905; published in Washington Press.

REQUISITION.

A requisition was received from C. F. Whitton, Official Court Reporter, for pine boxes, etc.

Refers to Building Committee.

SPRINKLING ROADS.

The following resolution was introduced by Supervisor Talcott:

Resolved: That the members of this Board, having the supervision of macadamized streets within the county, are hereby authorized to have the same resprinkled and rebuilt if it is necessary to keep them in good order for travel. This authority to include the providing of the necessary materials, teams and labor with which to do the work.

On motion of Supervisor Talcott, the resolution on Supervisor Rowe, the result of which was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Supervisors Horner, Rowe, Talcott and Chairman (Pro Tem) Kelley—4

Absent—Chairman Mitchell—1.

PETITION THAT EAST TWENTY-THIRD OR SAUSAL STREET BE DECLARED A COUNTY ROAD.

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On motion of Supervisor Talcott, the resolution was adopted by the following vote:

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Absent—Chairman Mitchell—1.

FRUITVALE NEWS.

A communication was received from the Franchise Co. relative to legal advertising. The matter was continued to Monday, February 20, 1905, at 11 o'clock a.m. for hearing.

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CLIPPINGS FROM THE SAN FRANCISCO WEEKLIES

LONDON AND OAKLAND.

Nothing could be more in keeping with the eternal fitness of things than the election of Jack London to the Mayoralty of Oakland. Mr. London has lived in Oakland boy and man; he has wandered far afield and he has voyaged north and south and westward over leagues of the vast deep, gathering material for "sellers"; but he has always returned to his fireside in Oakland. London has been a part of Oakland many years, but the world has never found it out. Singularly enough the world has never thought to inquire where London lives. When, like a meteor, he shot athwart the literary horizon, the wondering multitude asked not whence he came or whither he would go—meteors are vagrants of the sky, and London was a vagrant of the literary horizon. If Jack London is elected Mayor of Oakland, the world will know that it is on the map. There are other reasons why he should be elected but this ought to be sufficient for Oakland. It is no great consequence to Oakland that London is a "seller"; Oakland doesn't care whether he car "depict the feminine in literature," whether he is "an apostle of the elemental," or whether he "lacks the sentiment to handle the love motif;" the only interest that Oakland can promote in the election of Jack London to the mayoralty of the town is the advertisement it will insure. Oakland needs advertisement. A press agent would be a better mayor for Oakland than a "seller;" but press agents are in better business than they can find in the politics of Oakland. Oakland was once well advertised as "the Athens of the Pacific," but that was before London was born, and the city has long since outgrown it as it has outgrown the beautiful oaks that gave it a name. If Oakland would be known beyond the borders of Alameda and San Francisco counties, its citizens will elect Jack London to be their mayor. If they would be known in the centers of culture from Dan to Beersheba and back again over the Damascas trail, they will not only elect Jack London mayor of the town, but, they will elect Joaquin Miller City Poet. With London in the seat of the mighty and Joaquin Miller doing the resolutions in iambics and heroics, Oakland would snatch the laurel from the classic brow of Boston, and make the arrogant pundits and moonshees of Paris and Berkeley look like thirty kopeks in the ragged wallet of a Dutch Mongol beggar.—Town Talk.

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Rudolph has lifted a great weight from the heart of society, for, as stated in the Wasp last week, the family feud has been the cause of much distress to San Francisco hostesses. To invite both parties to the same entertainment has been impossible, and to select one in preference to the other has, of course, been a most disagreeable task. There is a tradition in San Francisco society that Mrs. Gus Spreckels had caused the first rupture in the family circle years ago. Mrs. Claus Spreckels went to call on her good-looking daughter-in-law and did not think it necessary to comply with any stiff formalities; so she followed the servants into the house, and heard Mrs. Gus say: "Tell her I am not at home." Mrs. Claus Spreckels left the house indignant, and the next scene was enacted in her own home when she told her husband of the slight placed upon her. The effect on the old sugar king can be imagined, especially as his son Gus had married a woman who, though very handsome and worthy in every way, belonged to a family of very moderate means. The Spreckels family even then was immensely rich.

THE FEUD INTENSIFIED.

Business matters seemed to widen the breach between Claus Spreckels and his son. Rudolph sided with Gus, and John D. and Adolph took their father's side. The house of Spreckels became, in the fullest sense, divided against itself. Now Rudolph has accomplished the seemingly impossible, and thereby demonstrated that he is the most diplomatic as well as the best-looking and most successful of Claus Spreckels' sons. He has greatly improved his fortune, so that he is now rated as worth between three and four million dollars. He is much richer than Gus. A thorough reconciliation of the four brothers, as well as that of Rudolph and his father, might be productive of important business results, for their united capital and co-operation would be potent in any great undertaking. The conversion of the Oceanic Steamship Company into a dividend paying concern might be one of the achievements of this concert of capital and brains, for no one doubts that Rudolph Spreckels inherits much of the business acumen of his very remarkable father.

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that she desired to remain in the land where he was buried. This attachment is remarkable, inasmuch as Mr. Watson was old enough to have been her father when they contracted a runaway marriage and thereby embittered still more the declining years of the aged sugar king. Miss Spreckels, it is said, was not allowed the freedom given most American girls in the selection of their masculine acquaintances. Mr. Watson, the aged and therefore trustworthy friend of her brothers, was a welcome and constant guest at the Spreckels' mansion, and the runaway marriage of June and December was the consequence. When the indignant father refused to be pacified, Mrs. Watson returned to him some valuable property which he had given her. Later on, when she and her husband had gone to England, Mrs. Watson sued for the return of the property, and Mr. Spreckels contested the claim. One of the allegations in his answer was that Mr. Watson, who was a divorced man, had never been legally divorced, and therefore the position of "second Mrs. Watson" was not as she described it in her complaint. Nothing could have more thoroughly expressed the bitterness of the father's mind than this allegation filed as a court record by his consent. However, all is well that ends well, and in San Francisco, where the Spreckels have been so permanently identified with the social and commercial growth of the city, a complete reconciliation of the alienated family would be a source of gratification to the community.—Wasp.

ROYALTY IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox, famous in at least five continents, has been holding drawing-rooms in this city and authorlings of every description and no possible description have been busy a-licking of her majesty's hand. As a writer E. W. W. is nothing if not a literary genius, and she is certainly not a literary genius. Her versatility, however, is only equaled by her artistry: her literary output comprises "poems," "essays," "stories," "plays," "sermons"—in brief, everything except literature. This, perhaps, is saying too much, though nothing like so much as the lady herself says. In fairness it must be admitted that she writes prose that is prose; indeed in all authordom there is nothing more prosy, unless it be her own poetry. For her majesty is none of your foolish wise poets who write for one another, not she. Her audiences are turned away at the box-office, so to speak. After all she too writes for her peers, the common people, king of America; the common person, king of England—for royalties, in short. Hers is a majestic success; and that being the case, she can afford to treat with the utmost concern the fact that poets adjudge her poetry indifferent prose and proclaims her prose indifferent poetry—say, a hundred souls in all with scarce a hundred cents apiece to their illustrious names. On the other hand, San Francisco's chartered libertine of the press, who, from a mere sense of cussedness, because somebody had overpraised Tetrazzini, put into cold type an unjustifiable attack on the unoffending artiste, deserves the highest censure. That musical critic, like his

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confere who overpraised Tetrazzini, has evidently also not any opinions of his own on musical art, and the ideas supplied to him are those of interested parties. They simply amount to vulgar libellous personal abuse, as no artistic reason is supplied for the unwarranted attack. What had happened? Some San Francisco neurotics had been enthused by Tetrazzini's acting and singing just on the eve of Melba's second advent to San Francisco. Comparison was instituted between the merits of the two singers, which certainly forms a proper subject for conversation in clubs and drawing rooms, but not in print. When Melba arrived the managerial fiat evidently went forth that "Melba must not have any rivals," and the most irresponsible newspaper man was selected to "protect" Melba's reputation at the expense of Tetrazzini. To be perfectly candid, since the question of superiority has been made a public question, whilst admitting that the few numbers sung by Melba were gems of artistic perfection, it must also be borne in mind that she possesses more gems in her jewel box than in her throat.

CHARGES AND DENIALS.

Did the college men who went to Mills' College, members of the University Glee Club, to sing in concert for the entertainment of the women of that exclusive institution, flirt with the girls, or did they not? That is the question that is being tossed like a shuttlecock back and forth from Mills' College to the University. Joseph Loeb, the editor of the university newspaper, states distinctly that the conduct of a number of the students "disgusted a large percentage of the people present." Mrs. Susan Mills, the elderly and dignified head of the eminently respectable college, contradicts the Berkeley moralist flatly. She declares that the University Glee Club is composed of the most polite young men that one would wish to meet, and has affixed her own sign-manual to a letter of thanks to the Club for its highly appreciated services in furnishing Mills' College with a "royal time." To the disinterested looker on it would seem that the young ladies at whom the flirtatious glances are alleged to have been cast would be the best judges of whether these ocular demonstrations were disgusting or otherwise. Or does Editor Loeb prefer to have the young people entirely shut out, and the controversy left to himself and the other estimable old lady.—Wasp.

WHAT WILL WILLIAM SAY?

Gertrude Atherton's "Rulers of Kings," is about to make its appearance in a German translation, but the publisher is not looking forward to large receipts in consequence. On the contrary, he has a rather bitter pill to swallow, but swallow it he must. The translation was made by Mrs. Reginald Birch, and it is evident on the face of it that the publisher could not have read, or even lightly skimmed through the manuscript, for he accepted it at once, probably on the strength of the name of the author. Later on, when he became aware of the free and easy, slap on the back style in which the Emperor William was treated, he

wanted to repudiate his bargain, but was promptly met with a threat for breach of contract, so he has decided to risk lèse majesté. It is not very clear what advantage the translator expects, for the books are reasonably certain to be confiscated as soon as they are offered for sale, with a warning to dealers not to renew their stock. Here in America there is nothing like condemnation for booming sales. Let a puppeter or a yellow editor denounce a book, or a Society for the Prevention of Vice get on it, and immediately all the world and his wife must procure it to see why they should not, but in monarchial Europe condemnation and confiscation are more effective. There is, of course, the possibility that the Emperor of Germany will not consider Mrs. Atherton's novel of sufficient importance to warrant official attention. If Francis Joseph can stand the lambasting he has been treated to, William may be equally indifferent. It may turn out as the "Hoch der Kaiser" incident did. There were some people extremely anxious to make that affair an international episode, but it is said that privately the Emperor of Germany regarded it as a good joke.—Town Talk.

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